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HENDERSON—HITLER INTERVIEW

Berlin, To-day.

According to reports in German circles, Sir Neville Henderson submitted to Hitler a written communication from the British Government which he supplemented with oral explanations. — Reuter.

BRITONS GOING BACK TO FANLING

SEE PAGE 12

BRITISH OFFER TO JAPAN: JUST PEACE WITH CHINA, RESPECT FOR RIGHTS

London, To-day.

IN A LEADING ARTICLE on the Japanese Cabinet's resignation the "Daily Telegraph" says that whatever may be the composition of the new Ministry it is certain that trust in German promises will be no part of its creed.

Any rapprochement between the Soviet and Japan is not, in present circumstances, even a remote possibility, the journal adds.

find on the British side no surprises, no ambiguity and no double dealing.

A JUST PEACE

The aims of British policy in the

STERLING DOWN

New York, To-day.

Sterling again declined on the New York foreign exchange market yesterday, reflecting the further stress in Europe over the week-end.

However, business was small, with rates purely nominal.

Other European currencies were also subjected to pressure but the levels were held and losses were moderate. — Reuter.

Far East remain what they have been since the war began there. This count. (Continued on Page 28)



A JAPANESE GESTURE? Mr. Shigemitsu, Japanese Ambassador in London, may be Japan's next Foreign Minister.

MILITARY EXERCISES THIS WEEK

IT IS ANNOUNCED THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NORMAL TRAINING PROGRAMME, ARRANGED BEFORE THE PRESENT CRISIS, MILITARY EXERCISES WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE COLONY ON AUGUST 31 (THURSDAY) AND SEPTEMBER 1.

These exercises will affect the roads on the south and east of the island, from Shaukiwan to Pokfulam.

It is hoped that the normal traffic on any roads in this district will not be unduly disturbed, but if it is, residents will understand the reason, and will also understand if they see troops moving in any direction.

BID FOR BRITISH AID DENIED

Budapest, To-day.

Hungarian official quarters deny rumours that the Hungarian Minister to London has asked for Britain's protection if German troops should try to march through Hungary.

It is stated that the Hungarian Minister saw Lord Halifax on Saturday only for an exchange of information. — Trans-Ocean.

The Italian assurances to Mr. Arista that Italy's attitude to Japan is unaltered by the action of her European partner will doubtless be accepted but they cannot exercise any profound influence on the fact that the Anti-Comintern Pact is in shreds as far as Japan is concerned and that Japanese statesmanship will be inspired by new ideas in seeking friendships outside her own borders. — Reuter.

"The Times" says that Japan feels, not without some justification, that she has been made a fool of.

Some Japanese must have been alive to the possibility that Hitler would let them down if it suited him, but nobody in Japan expected to be let down quite so suddenly.

NOT CONGENIAL

To be dropped without warning overnight in favour of your principal enemy is not a congenial fate, and Herr von Ribbentrop's contemptuous allusion in Moscow to the prospect of even closer German-Soviet relations served to underline the unpleasant truth that Japan has been treated not only scurvily but as though she was a fifth-class Power.

This rankles, but apart from the affront to her pride, Japan has lost little and has learned a valuable lesson.

FREE OF IDEOLOGY

She is free now to work out her own destinies, which are tangled enough without any ideological affiliations, from Europe.

Even if the situation in Europe were clearer she would have perplexities enough, but on one point the issues before her are clear.

Her relations with Britain have a certain importance for Japan, and Japan's new Government will



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SITUATION EXTREMELY GRAVE: PEACE OR WAR DEPENDS UPON HERR HITLER

TO-DAY'S SITTING OF PARLIAMENT

London, To-day.

To-day's session of the House of Commons will probably be only of short duration.

The sitting is not expected to last more than an hour, during which Mr. Chamberlain will make a statement on the British reply to Hitler.

The Opposition leaders are said to have agreed to limit themselves to making formal statements on Mr. Chamberlain's pronouncement.

General feeling here is that everything is being done not to dramatise the situation.

It is not impossible, however, that the House of Commons programme will be changed if Germany's reply is received before the House convenes.

NOT HOPELESS

Considerable interest is evidenced in the meeting between the Foreign Secretary and the Japanese Ambassador, during which Lord Halifax is reported to have said that he does not yet consider the European situation as hopeless.—Trans-Ocean.

ROOSEVELT PEACE MOVE RUMOURS

Washington, To-day.

Questioned at the press conference regarding reports of a further peace move by President Roosevelt in conjunction with the Latin-American countries, the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, said no suggestion had been made to any other governments to join the United States in issuing such an appeal.—Reuter.

London, To-day.
IT IS NOW IMPROBABLE that the text of Hitler's message and the British reply, which Sir Neville Henderson is taking back to Berlin, will be issued before the Prime Minister and Lord Halifax address Parliament this afternoon.

There appears to be a desire in London to give Hitler the fullest opportunity to study the British reply before it is published.

Not the slightest inkling is yet available about the nature of the British reply, but Reuter learns that although the situation is extremely grave the door has not yet been entirely closed upon the possibility of a peaceful settlement.

PORTUGAL SUPPORTS BRITAIN

Lisbon, To-day.

All indications point to the fact that the whole public opinion of Portugal strongly favours Britain and her allies.

Hitler's pact with the Soviet has destroyed all possible resentment arising out of the Spanish Civil War, and has undone the work of German propaganda which for a long time has been active here.

All newspapers violently criticise Hitler's action.—Reuter.

REPORT DENIED

Rome, To-day.

Reports that the former French Premier, M. Pierre Laval, was leaving for Rome, are denied.—Trans-Ocean.

It is felt in London that it lies with Hitler whether to yield to counsels of peace or plunge Europe into catastrophe.

As far as Britain is concerned business is proceeding as usual, with military and A.R.P. preparations being perfected with calm determination and every indication of the striking unanimity of public opinion in favour of a firm stand by the Government on the Danzig issue.—Reuter.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS

Yesterday's Cabinet lasted 50 minutes and was attended by all members.

The possibility is reckoned with that decisions of the greatest importance may be taken within the next 24 hours.—Trans-Ocean.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION ANNOUNCED

London, To-day.

The British Ministry of Information which was planned for the event of war, has been established, it is announced.

Regarding the personnel of the Ministry, no information is forthcoming, but it is believed that the announcement of the new enlarged War Cabinet will be made soon. Mr. Chamberlain visited Buckingham Palace shortly after 5.30 p.m. to report on the latest developments.—Trans-Ocean.

DANZIG CONTROL OF POLISH TRAINS

Warsaw, To-day.

A Danzig State order forbids the passage of goods trains from Danzig to Poland, and requisitions goods trains passing through Danzig en route from Poland to Gdynia.—Reuter.



H.R.H. The Duke of Connaught, who will be 90 next birthday, on August 17 inspected a war establishment of the Military Police at Aldershot Command. The Duke wore uniform, a rare occurrence. Photo shows a close-up of the Duke at the establishment.

SWEDEN ABANDONS STERLING BLOC

Stockholm, To-day.

Sweden has left the Sterling bloc.

Yesterday it was decided to lower the exchange rate of the pound sterling from 19.4 to 17.9 crowns.

This means that the former coupling of Swedish and British currency has ceased.

First result was the refusal of exchange banks to exchange pounds into Swedish money as a further drop in sterling is believed to be imminent.

Many English tourists who intended to return to England last evening were unable to leave because they had insufficient Swedish money to pay their hotel bill. Hotels, like the banks, refused to accept pounds in payment.—Trans-Ocean.

AMBASSADORS MEET M. PIERLOT

Brussels, To-day.

M. Pierlot, the Belgian Premier, late last evening received the British, French, German and Italian Ambassadors and the Polish Minister.—Reuter.

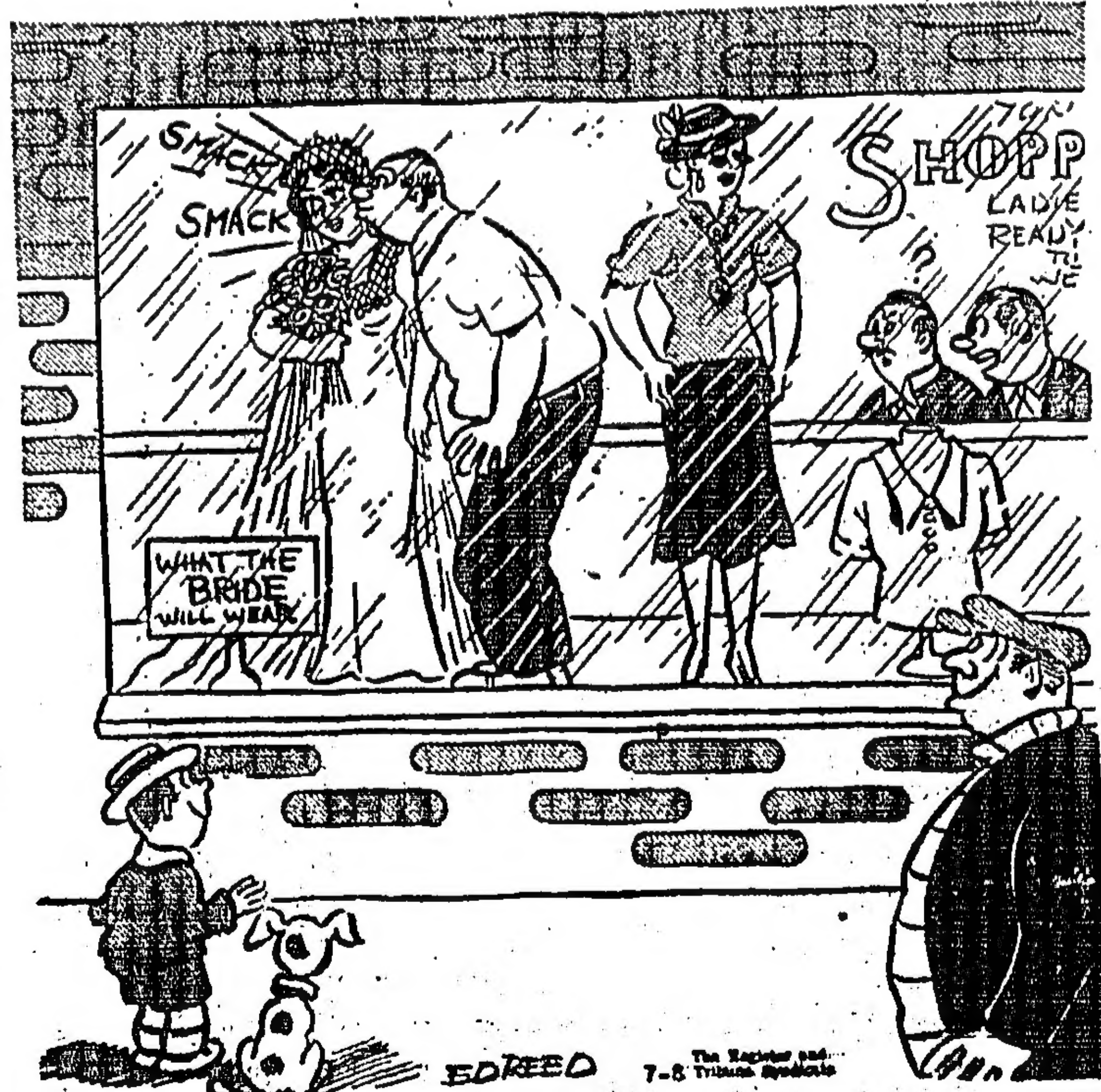
QUEEN RETURNS TO LONDON

London, To-day.

Queen Elizabeth returned to London yesterday but the two Princesses are to remain at Balmoral.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



"That window-dresser always kisses the brides!"

Here's Luck

EWO BEER

ENLARGED WAR CABINET DISCUSSIONS

London, To-day.

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN had long consultations with the Opposition leaders at No. 10 Downing Street yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Deputy Labour Leader) had three separate talks with the Prime Minister, the third conversation lasting three quarters of an hour, after which Mr. Greenwood went to the Whip's office for a consultation.

Immediately after, Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal leader)

called at No. 10 and remained a half hour with the Prime Minister.

Thereafter Mr. Chamberlain left by car for Buckingham Palace to report to the King.

Just previously, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha (Secretary for War) had been received by His Majesty.—Reuter.

BRITAIN WEARIES OF THREATS TO PEACE

LONDON, TO-DAY. WHILE IN EVERY SPHERE OF ACTIVITY, OFFICIAL AND UN-OFFICIAL, MEASURES PROCEED APACE DESIGNED TO PLACE THE COUNTRY IN A STATE OF COMPLETE PREPAREDNESS FOR AN EMERGENCY, AND MORE PARTICULARLY IN RESPECT OF CIVILIAN DEFENCE AND A.R.P. THE PUBLIC HERE AWAITS TO-DAY'S MEETING OF PARLIAMENT AND THE PREMIER'S STATEMENT WITH A CALM WHICH SEEMS TO ARISE FROM THE FEELING CONFIDENTLY HELD THAT BRITAIN IS READY FOR A TRIAL OF STRENGTH IF IT COMES, AND THAT THE DECISION, PEACE OR WAR, LIES ELSEWHERE.

Observers of popular sentiment are impressed by how the deep abhorrence of war so long uppermost with the British people has been overlaid with an attitude of grim and dogged defiance which is the reaction of a people who have become weary of repeated and persistent threats to peace and the quiet of Europe.

Discussion on what British policy is, or should be, has disappeared from the newspapers.

It is now taken for granted, and even the former isolationist press leaves their readers in no doubt that the independence of Poland is an issue affecting the security of all other European states, including Great Britain herself.

EMERGENCY MEASURES

Foremost among yesterday's emergency measures were the orders by the Admiralty which took over the direction of British merchant shipping from midnight on Saturday to British ships to avoid the Mediterranean and leave the Baltic, and the issue of the first hundred regulations under the Emergency Powers Defence Act.

There was a complete rehearsal of the evacuation of London school-children.—British Wireless.

EGYPTIAN SHIPPING CONTROL

Cairo, To-day.

Egyptian and British vessels may only leave Egyptian ports by special authorisation of the War Ministry.

Ships of all countries will be searched before sailing by the Royal Navy. The Egyptian Government has taken certain precautions.

An inventory of all vital commodities has been ordered and publication of military news forbidden. —Trans-Ocean.

DEFENCE STEPS IN TRINIDAD

London, To-day.

Trinidad has been put under emergency powers by Order-in-Council, granting the Governor wide powers for the defence of the Colony and the maintenance of law and order, says a message from Port of Spain.

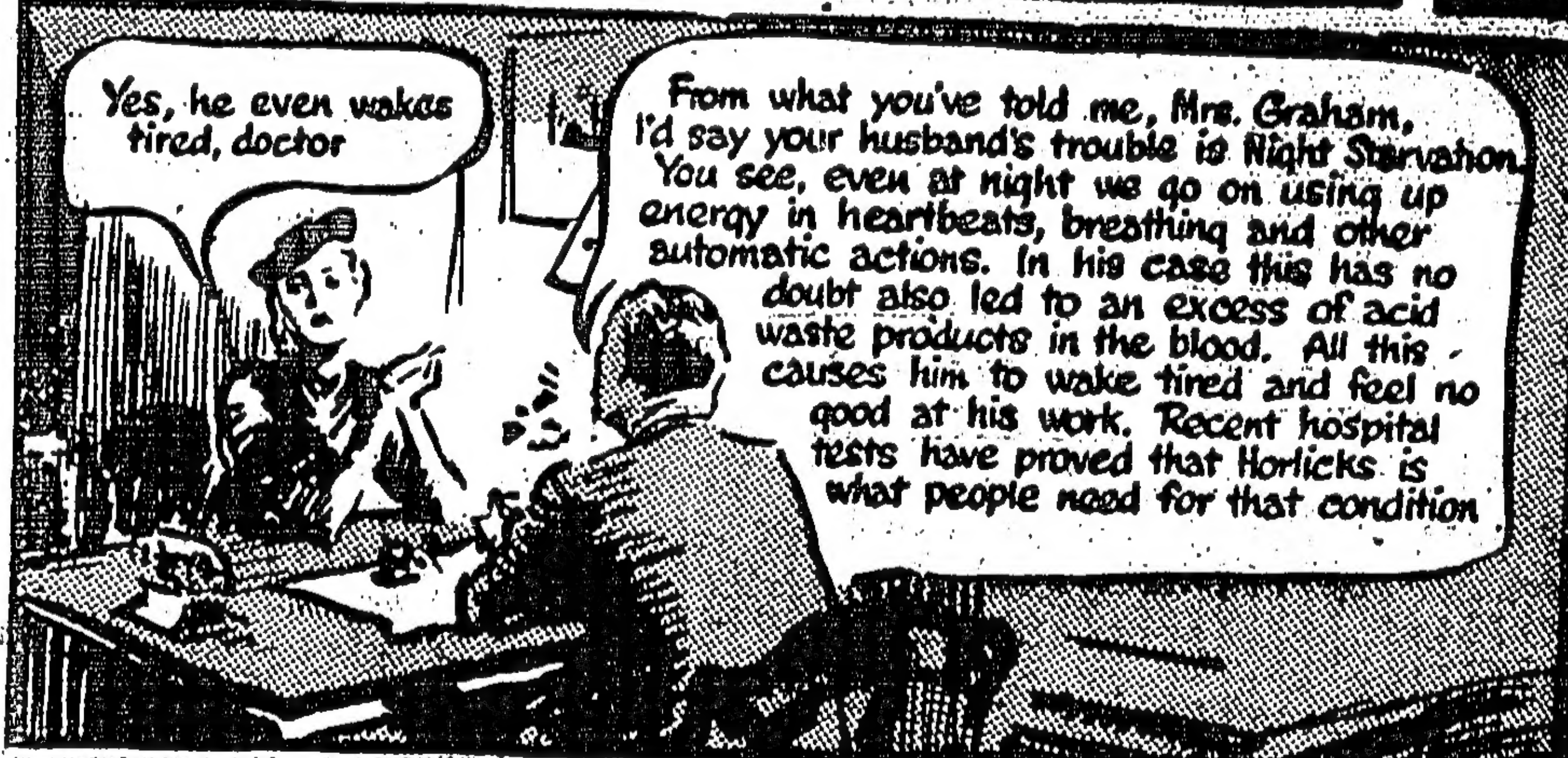
PEPPER-UP

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**IMPROVED PARIS
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Paris, To-day.

PROLONGATION OF THE CRISIS has resulted in improv-
ing the general atmosphere in the French capital and
numerous persons, who left on Friday or Saturday, re-
turned yesterday to arrange affairs, withdraw money
from banks and bid farewell to friends who are remain-
ing.Thousands who are enjoying the warm August sun in cafes,
still refuse to believe that war will come and while ad-
mitting that Herr Hitler's answer to M. Daladier has not
improved the situation, still maintain the hope that
negotiations will save the situation.Railway stations are still scenes of
hectic activity as reservists pack the
trains with their equipment.The general atmosphere is one of
resignation, but there are few scenes
of tragic leave-taking, because of a
belief that catastrophe may yet be
averted.Street traffic has been considerably
reduced through the requisitioning of
omnibuses and taxicabs.The department stores are suffering
from reduced personnel, but the
supply of goods is adequate in all
shops, though customers must some-
times wait many minutes for service.Numerous shops and office buildings
are being gradually evacuated, and
consequently rents are slowly drop-
ping. Large banking institutions are
removing their reserves to secure
spots in Southern France.—Trans-
Ocean.**INCREASE IN
DUTCH BANK RATE**Amsterdam, To-day.
The Bank of Netherlands has in-
creased its discount rate from two to
three per cent. to go into effect
immediately. Other rates were also
increased by one per cent.—Trans-
Ocean.**LITHUANIA NOW
MOBILISING**Kaunas, To-day.
A number of classes of Lithuanian
reservists have been called to the
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EDWARDS.The convict was 30-year-old Kwok
Ping, who on August 4, escaped from
the cells, below the First Court at the
Central Magistracy, after being sen-
tenced to six months' hard labour for
burglary.He was arrested yesterday, exactly
24 days after his escape, and this
morning sentenced to an additional
six months' imprisonment for escap-
ing from lawful custody.The sentences are to run consecu-
tively.**MOBILISATION
IN HOLLAND**

The Hague, To-day.

The mobilisation of the Dutch army
and navy will, for the time being, be
confined to fifteen classes, it is an-
nounced.The decision of the Dutch Govern-
ment to mobilise is regarded in
diplomatic circles as an indication
that the Government has abandoned
its optimistic attitude, and is now
expecting the beginning of hostilities.
—Trans-Ocean.**RAILWAY SUSPENDED**

Amsterdam, To-day.

All private railway traffic on the
Netherlands railway is to be suspended
from this morning until three in the
afternoon.This measure is said to be connected
with Dutch mobilisation. — Trans-
Ocean.Benefit of many years' stage and screen experience is accrued by
eleven-year-old Gloria Jean, newcomer and title player in Univer-
sal's "The Underpup." One of Gloria's more experienced advisors is
the veteran character actress, Bouiah Bondi, her co-player, with whom
she is pictured above. Miss Bondi is showing the younger how movie
cameramen focus a proposed scene.

CHINA NOT TO RELAX IN WAR OF RESISTANCE

Chungking, To-day.

CHINA WILL NOT RELAX her resistance to Japanese aggression in spite of the favourable turn in the international situation, and she will continue with her established policy, declared Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in a press interview yesterday.

Generalissimo Chiang said he was not surprised at the changes. The situation, he thought, would develop along a natural path and finally follow a trend beneficial to the world and mankind and compatible with the purpose of China's resistance.

China's resistance in the past two years, he pointed out, had made the people of the world realise the importance of peace, lest they should break too carelessly. The international situation was following a tendency opposed to wars of aggression and seeking the establishment of international justice.

Questioned whether, in his opinion, a European war could be averted, Generalissimo Chiang replied that only the Japanese militarists could hope for the outbreak of such a war. He has the profoundest admiration for the peace efforts of President Roosevelt and other statesmen and wishes them every success.

SELF-RELIANCE

With reference to the effect of international developments on China's resistance, Generalissimo Chiang said that since the trend of events was up to China's expectations, the international situation would probably become more favourable to China in general.

However, the Generalissimo exhorted the nation not to place too much stress on international developments, but to continue their efforts in order to win the final victory in the war of resistance. Since China fights for self-existence, she must rely on her own strength.

China's fundamental policy in diplomacy and resistance is one of determination, self-reliance, self-strengthening, good faith and fearlessness toward force. The fact that China's firm resistance has never been affected by the many international changes points to avoidance of opportunism.

WARNING TO PEOPLE

Closing the interview, Generalissimo Chiang warned that since the international situation is changing so rapidly, not every change in the future might be favourable to China. He asked the nation to avoid being too optimistic when the situation is favourable, and not to swing away from their steadfast purpose through pessimism if the situation appeared unfavourable.—Central News.

SHOCKS IN HOME SOCCER

London, To-day.

There were several shock results in yesterday's football matches. Everton scored a brilliant victory over Aston Villa. The results were:

FIRST DIVISION

Aston Villa	1	Everton	2
Blackpool	2	Brentford	1
Stoke City	1	Bolton	2

SECOND DIVISION

Coventry	3	West Brom.	3
Millwall	0	Plymouth	2
Wednesday	3	Barneley	1
West Ham	2	Fulham	1

THIRD DIV. (SOUTH)

Northampton	1	Exeter	2
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THIRD DIV. (NORTH)

Hallifax	2	Oldham	0
Lincoln	0	Darlington	2
Rotherham	2	York City	1
Barrow	1	Accrington	2

—Reuter.

BELGIAN RAILWAYS' DECISION

Brussels, To-day.

The train service between Germany and Belgium is to be maintained, says an official announcement, though the number of connections will be restricted.

Between Brussels and Cologne two trains will run each way every day, one in the day and one at night.—Trans-Ocean.

SENSATION IN DOWNING STREET

London, To-day.

A small sensation was caused shortly before noon in Downing Street when a man in the crowd threw a parcel in the direction of the Prime Minister's residence.

Spectators stampeded, fearing an I.R.A. bomb outrage.

The parcel turned out, however, to contain nothing but a number of india-rubber balls bearing the inscription "peace conference now."

The man was badly man-handled by the infuriated crowd before the police succeeded in taking him to the station.

Spectators were then excluded from Downing Street, which was cordoned off by police.—Trans-Ocean.

MURDER IN THE GAOL ALLEGED

MAN SHUI, A PRISONER AT STANLEY GAOL, APPEARED BEFORE MR. T. J. HOUSTON AT THE CENTRAL MAGISTRACY THIS MORNING, ON A CHARGE OF MURDERING A FELLOW PRISONER, CHAN SEK-LAM.

Man, who is serving a 15-year sentence for attacking Mr. Lim Pien, manager of the "South China Daily News" in January, is alleged to have attacked Chan Sek-lam in the printing room at the prison on Sunday with an iron bar. The man later died in the Queen Mary Hospital. A week's remand was granted. Inspector L. R. Whant is in charge of the case.

The Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes advises that according to telegraphic information the m/v "Jean Laborde" has been stopped in Saigon until further notice by the French Military Authorities.

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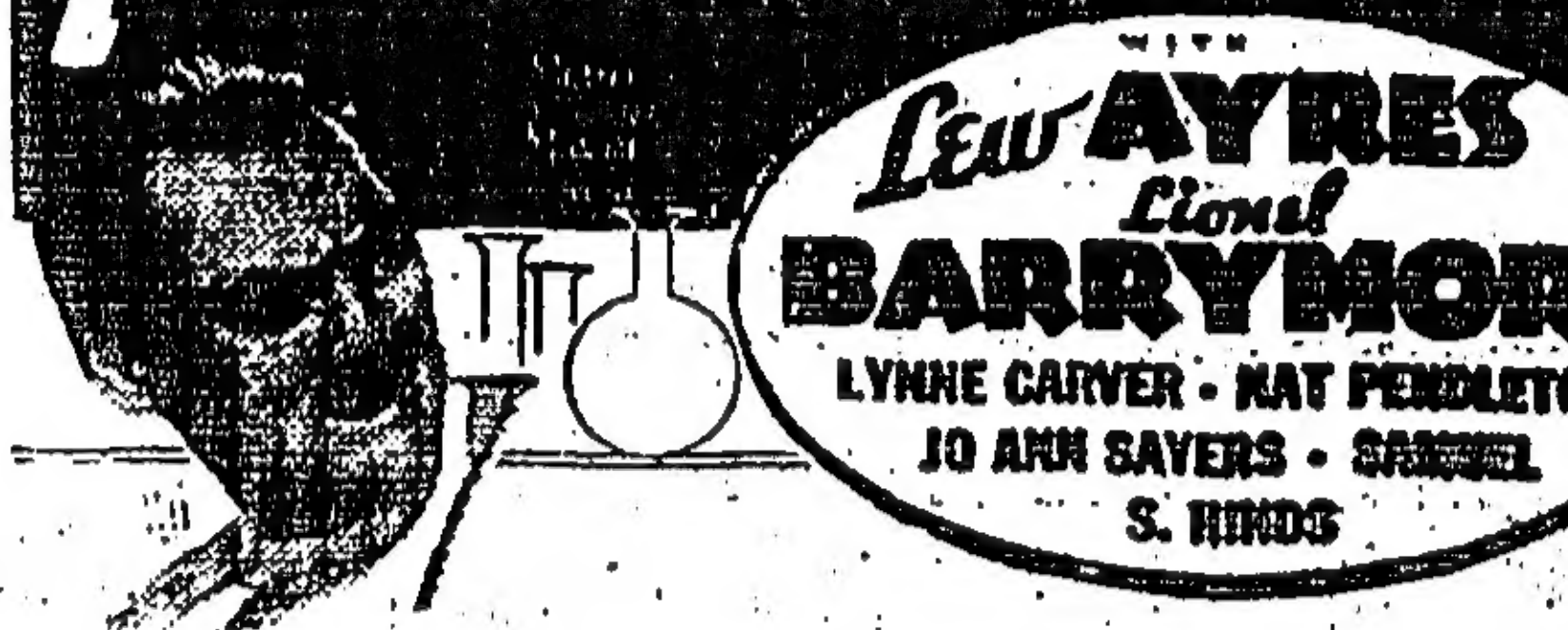
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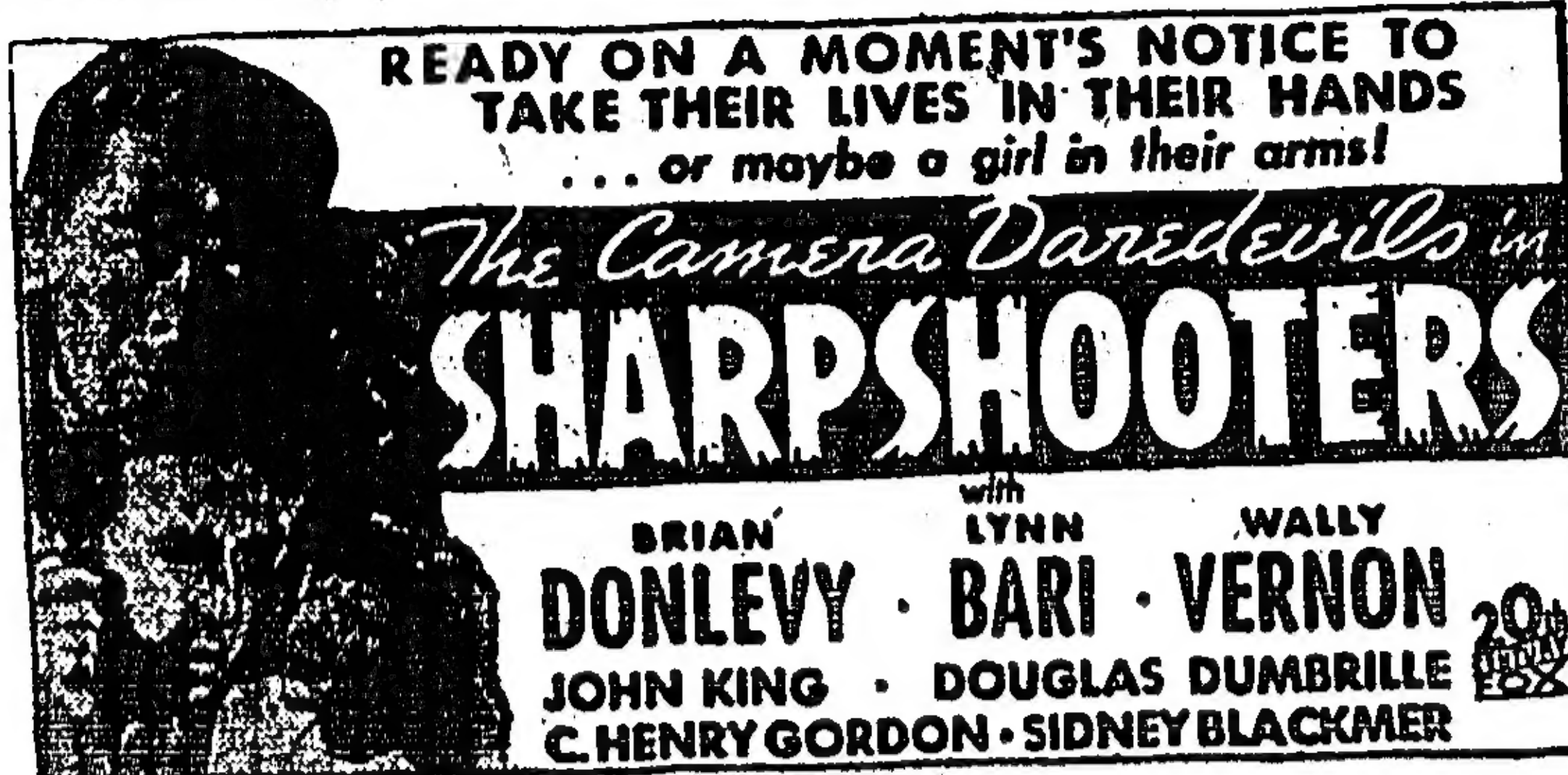
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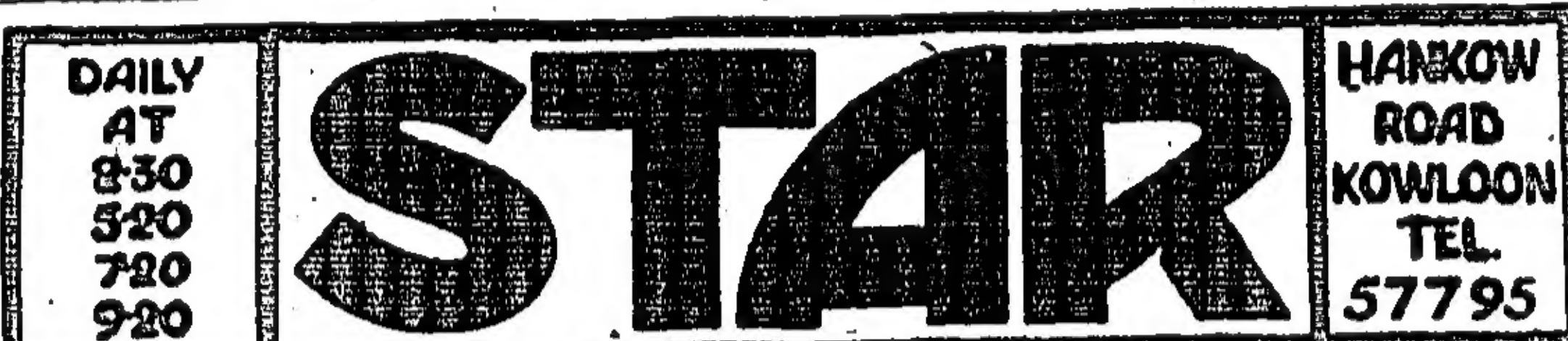
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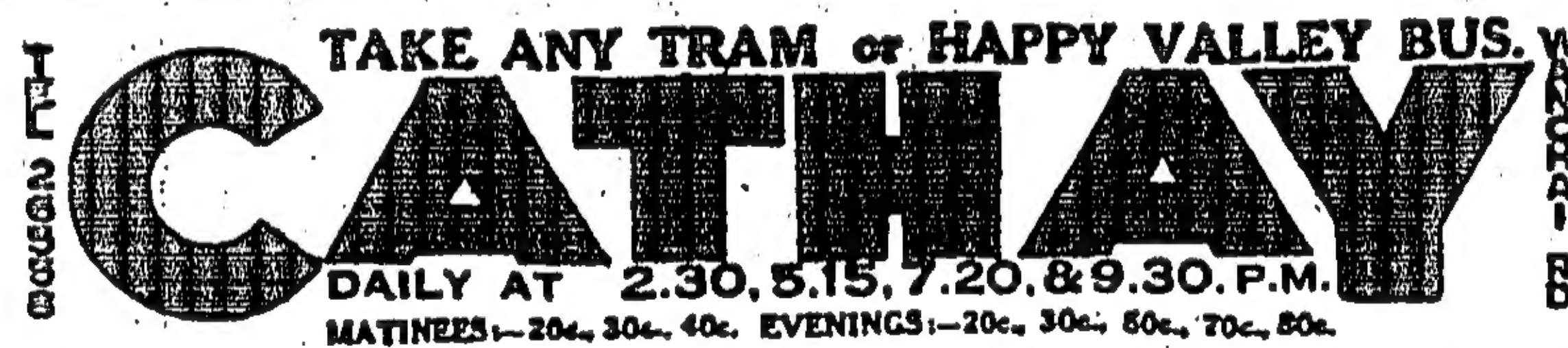


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FATEFUL HITLER INTERVIEW LASTS NEAR TWO HOURS

Another important stage in the efforts to avert catastrophe in Europe was passed last night with the presentation to Herr Hitler of the British Government's reply to the message conveyed to London by Sir Neville Henderson.

The interview between the British Ambassador and Herr Hitler lasted for nearly two hours, but no inkling as to the result is as yet forthcoming.

"GOOD LUCK" REPLY

London, To-day.
The British Ambassador to Berlin, Sir Neville Henderson, left Heston airport for Berlin shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon with the British reply to Hitler.

In reply to good wishes from pressmen Sir Neville said: "Thank you. I shall want all the good luck I can get."

Sir Neville appeared to be in cheerful mood as he posed for photographers and waved to the airport staff and pressmen.

NO LEAVE-TAKING

There was no official leave-taking. Sir Neville travelled in a nine-seater British Airways Lockheed machine similar to that which carried Mr. Chamberlain to Germany last year.

It is not known whether the plane is flying direct to Berlin. An official at the airport stated the destination was "unknown."—Reuter.

ARRIVES AT 7.32 P.M.

Berlin, To-day.
Sir Neville Henderson, who arrived at Tempelhof airport, Berlin, at 7.32 p.m. G.M.T., left for the Chancellery at 9.15 p.m. to meet Herr Hitler and convey to him the British Government's Note.—Reuter.

BLACK GUARD SALUTE

On his arrival at the Chancellery, Sir Neville Henderson was immediately conducted to Herr Hitler's room.

Before he left the British Embassy, he received a visit from M. Coulongre, the French Ambassador, and they talked for a few minutes.

Black Guards on duty presented arms on the arrival of the British Ambassador at the Chancellery and Sir Neville walked quickly into the brightly-lit interior, where high officials in brown Nazi Party uniforms received him.—Reuter.

AN HOUR AND HALF

Berlin, To-day.
Sir Neville Henderson left the Chancellery at 10.40 last night. His conversation with Hitler lasted nearly an hour and a half.—Reuter.

RIBBENTROP PRESENT

Berlin, To-day.
Hitler received the British Ambassador, Sir Neville Henderson, at 10.22 at the Chancellery last evening in the presence of Herr von Ribbentrop (Nazi Foreign Minister).

Sir Neville handed to Hitler the reply of the British Government. Sir Neville had arrived at Berlin airport at 8.30 p.m.

He was greeted in the courtyard of honour at the Chancellery by State Minister Meissner and Hitler's chief adjutant, Herr Brueckner, while a guard of honour presented arms.

RETURNS TO EMBASSY

Sir Neville was led to Hitler's room, where, in addition to Herr von Ribbentrop, Dr. Schmidt (acting as interpreter) was present.

After 80 minutes at the Chancellery, Sir Neville concluded his talk with Hitler at 11.42 p.m. and immediately returned to the British Embassy.

Before seeing Hitler, Sir Neville met the French Ambassador, M. Robert Coulongre.

Reports that M. Coulongre had another meeting with Hitler in the afternoon are denied.

It is also denied that Hitler saw the Italian Ambassador. It is officially stated that the latter called at the Foreign Office and saw State Secretary von Welzacker.

LEADERS CONFER

After Sir Neville left Hitler, the Fuehrer had further talks with Herr von Ribbentrop.

Trans-Ocean was informed at midnight that a communique will be issued which will merely state that Hitler received Sir Nevill Henderson who handed in the British reply.—Trans-Ocean.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

Berlin, To-day.

An official communique issued after the meeting between Hitler and Sir Neville Henderson says that Hitler received the British Ambassador at the Chancellery at 9.30 p.m. in the presence of Herr von Ribbentrop.

Sir Neville Henderson conveyed to Hitler the communication from the British Government.—Reuter

GREEKS FORBIDDEN TO LEAVE

ATHENS, TO-DAY.

A DECREE FORBIDS GREEK NATIONALS TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY, AND GREEKS EN ROUTE TO THE FRONTIER WERE HELD UP.

Car owners were told to place their vehicles at the disposal of the authorities.

The Greek training-ship Aris, now cruising in Yugo-Slav waters, has received urgent instructions to return immediately.

A run on the banks has continued for several days, and the Government has ordered banks to pay depositors in full.—Trans-Ocean.

BERLIN SILENT FOR THE NIGHT

Paris, To-day.

No further communication was expected from the German side last night, according to well-informed German circles, states a Havas news agency report from Berlin.—Reuter.

LETTERS AS WHITE BOOK

London, To-day.

The letters between the British Government and Hitler are to be published in the form of a White Book.

At to-day's session of Parliament, both Mr. Arthur Greenwood and Sir Archibald Sinclair will speak, in addition to the Premier.—Trans-Ocean.

TURKISH VISITS TO FOREIGN OFFICE

London, To-day.

Callers at the Foreign Office yesterday included four members of the Turkish Embassy.—Reuter.

AIR BAN OVER ITALY

Rome, To-day.

All civil aeroplanes are forbidden to fly over Italy or Italian possessions in North Africa or on the Aegean Sea, an order to this effect having been published in the official "Gazette" yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

TENSE EXPECTANCY IN BERLIN: BUT NO CHANGE OF ATTITUDE DETECTABLE

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

BERLIN LAST NIGHT WAS A CITY OF TENSION AND EXPECTANCY.

With the return of Sir Neville Henderson, bringing the fateful British reply to Hitler, there is a feeling that matters are now rapidly approaching a decision.

One German commentator remarked last night: "Germany's demands in the east—the return of Danzig and the corridor — must be fulfilled. Without a solution of the eastern problem the world would never obtain repose."

These sentences run like a red thread through all comment in German newspapers, which declare that after M. Daladier's letter to Hitler and the Chancellor's reply, the task of "bringing Poland to its senses" lies in the hands of the British Prime Minister.

An inspired article in the "Boersen Zeitung" says: "Sir Neville Henderson's mission has been proceeding since Saturday. Germany is completing her preparation for an extreme event from hour to hour."

ANTI-POLISH REPORTS

Reports of persecutions of Germans in Poland continue to fill the press. Apart from occasional lorries with soldiers, and a few air force machines thundering over Berlin, there was little sign of military activity in the capital yesterday.—Reuter.

WARSAW PROTESTS

Warsaw, To-day. It is learned from authoritative circles that the Government has officially protested to the Reich regarding German reports of the alleged ill-treatment of German minorities in Poland.—Reuter.

"RESPONSIBILITY OF DEMOCRACIES"

Berlin, To-day. Rarely has an event been anticipated with such keen and universal interest as the return to Berlin of British Ambassador.

Meanwhile, the Berlin evening papers stress the "responsibility of the Democracies."

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" cites a passage in Hitler's letter to Daladier emphasising that Germany is not in position to bring influence to bear on Poland in the sense indicated by the French Premier.

"REASONABLE ADVICE"

The paper accuses the "guarantee-Powers" of having suppressed any such possibility and contends that if they had tendered reasonable advice to Poland in time, Poland would have accepted Hitler's offer with the result that a "great injustice" would already have been repaired and Europe would now be "enjoying the secure peace founded on justice." The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" argues that Britain and France alone have the possibility of bringing about a settlement which would include that return of Danzig and the Corridor to Germany!—Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY CONTINUES TO PREPARE

Berlin, To-day.

All Berlin schools were closed yesterday until further notice. In Austria, all shops were ordered to be closed during Monday and Tuesday, with the object of ascertaining how far it is necessary to introduce ration cards.

The big German banks and savings banks have not yet taken any restriction measures, and no limit is applied to amounts taken from deposits.

Withdrawals from German banks were entirely normal yesterday.

It was officially announced in Berlin that the connection between the Reich and East Prussia is regular, but steamers are not allowed to call at the Danzig port of Zoppot.

A proclamation published by the German News Agency, "D.N.B." asks parents whose children are at present with peasants in the country, to leave them where they are for the time being, to continue helping agricultural work which is vital for Germany.

At the Wilhelmplatz and in Vosstrasse, in front of the Reich Chancellery, many hundred people waited yesterday in the hope of catching a glimpse of the Fuehrer or other German leaders.—Trans-Ocean.

MEETING OF HOUSE OF COMMONS

London, To-day.

The meeting of the House of Commons will open at 2.45 p.m. while the House of Lords will convene at 3 p.m. it is reported.

The addresses of Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax are expected to be brief.

The delay in the return to Berlin of Sir Neville Henderson, is not regarded by political circles as a sign that England is prepared for a compromise since all utterances by members of the Government are most determined in tone.—Trans-Ocean.

SWISS CONTROL OF PETROL

Berne, To-day.

The Swiss Federal Railway put on numerous extra trains to enable French and British vacationers to leave Switzerland.

The Department of Economy has issued an order preventing motorists from taking more than ten litres of petrol from Switzerland.

This is necessitated in order to prevent Swiss supplies from being exhausted.

Customs inspectors at the frontiers are instructed to measure the petrol in the tanks of cars and to draw off all in excess of ten litres.—Trans-Ocean.

ATHLETICS OFF

Paris, To-day.

The French Athletic Federation has cancelled the Anglo-French athletic meeting in Paris on Sunday owing to the international situation.—Reuter.

ROME PASSES THROUGH A DAY OF ACUTE TENSION

Rome, To-day.

THE DAY PASSED HERE in an atmosphere of anxious waiting for the British Government's decision.

Mussolini appeared on the balcony of the Palazzo Venezia before a large crowd of enthusiastic demonstrators in the morning.

All preparations for darkening Rome were partially put into operation last night, and air raid shelters are also in readiness.

Mussolini has prohibited all civil flying over Italy and her possessions except the regular services.

There is a complete absence of any combative or warlike spirit, and the desire for peace expressed on all sides is most striking.

The newspapers stress the fact that Mussolini is labouring hard for peace.

SIGNIFICANT ARTICLE

In a significant article an Italian commentator writes: "Italy will consider above all her own interests and the unforgettable lesson of Versailles does not encourage her to undertake precipitate intervention."

"Peace before all, but if every attempt to maintain it should fail, Italy will not hesitate to keep her pledges." —Reuter.

RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT

Rome, To-day.

Radio Rome announced last night the "historic mission of the Rome-Berlin Axis" and stated that Musso-

GERMANY RECALLS LINERS

New York, To-day.

The German liner "New York" left for Germany yesterday without any passengers.

The "Bremen" arrived at Ambrose Light and it was announced that she had been ordered to return to Germany without passengers within 24 hours.—Reuter.

GERMAN TROOPS TO MARCH INTO SLOVAKIA

PRESSBURG, TO-DAY.

THE SLOVAKIAN PREMIER, DR. TISO, ISSUED A PROCLAMATION LAST EVENING ANNOUNCING THAT GERMAN TROOPS WOULD MARCH INTO SLOVAKIA "TO DEFEND THE INDEPENDENCE AND INTEGRITY OF THE YOUNG SLOVAKIAN STATE AGAINST THE THREATENED POLISH AGGRESSION."

Dr. Tiso added that this is entirely in keeping with the German-Slovakian treaty.

The proclamation asks the people to treat the German troops as friends and to give them all assistance, as "they have come to help Slovakia to gather the fruits of the past time of heavy sacrifices."

Meanwhile, Slovakia has called up three classes of reservists. Officers of the reserve and five classes of technicians have been called to the colours.

The Hlinka Guards have been mobilised and placed in charge of frontier defence.—Trans-Ocean.

lini "more than once has voiced Italy's readiness to help to bring about a peaceful solution to the problems in accordance with the principles of right and justice."

Mussolini had not given up hope of a peaceful settlement.

"The remains of the Versailles Treaty must disappear," said the announcement, "in order that the peoples of the world can again gain confidence in each other."

PEACE OF JUSTICE

"For 17 years the Duce has worked for peace and a better future. The Duce does not want war for war's sake but wishes a peace of justice."

"To take the Axis into due consideration may even in the very last moment save Europe from the worst. At any rate, Italy stands ready for defence."

The statement is taken to have been made with the consent of official quarters.—Trans-Ocean.

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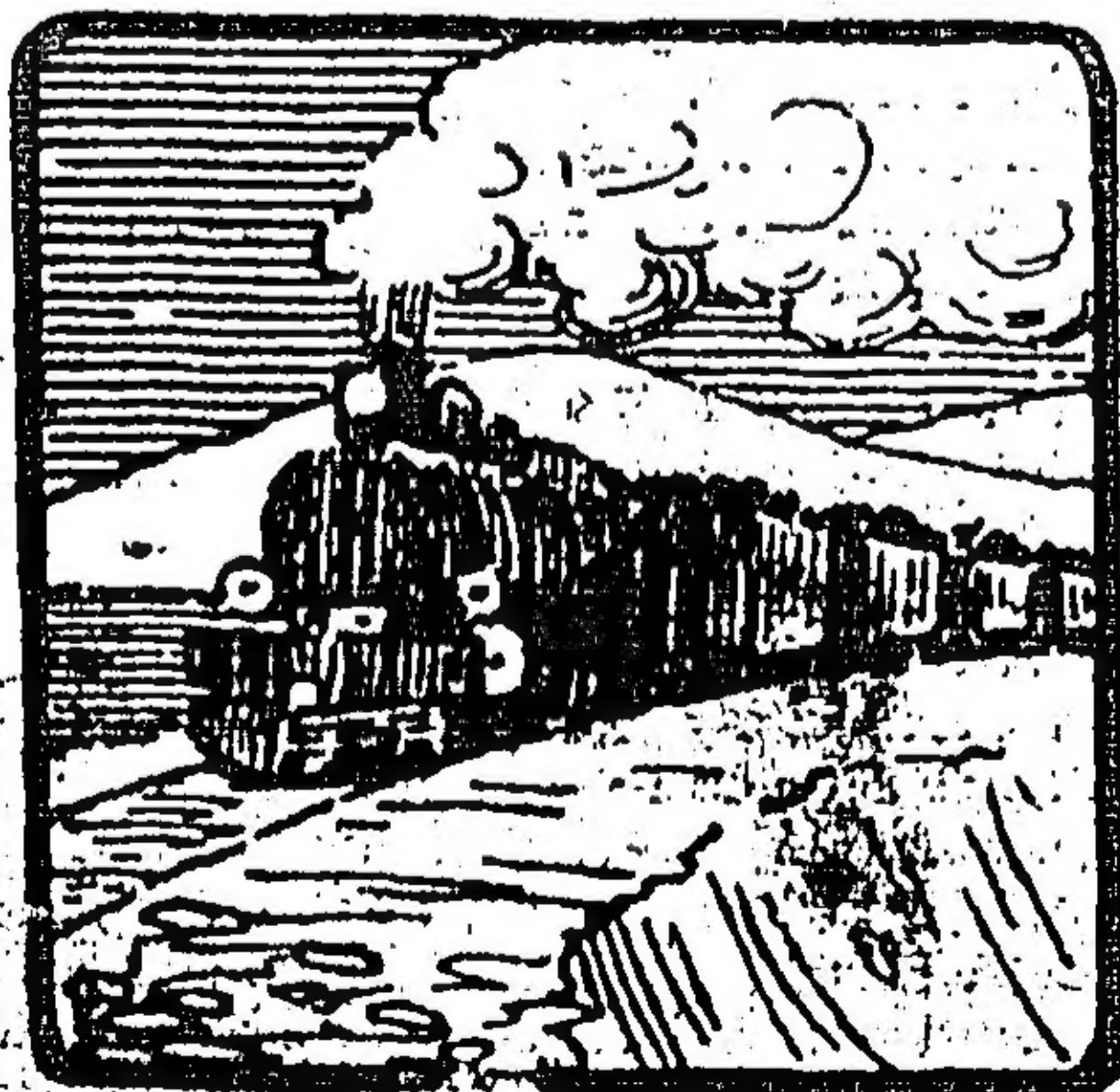
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HAUNTS; INDEED!

Joshua Turner, who sold me this old house, thinks that he has put over a smart deal. He is, secretly of course, highly amused at my innocence and stupidity, for, as every one knows throughout the country-side, the place is haunted.

I have it first hand from Lafe Armstrong, who operates the local filling station, that Joshua has sold this same house four times, each time buying it back for a song after a week of occupancy. Though I listened to Lafe solemnly I was highly entertained, for he and Joshua are country men and are therefore superstitious. Only a country man of limited intellect and education would believe in haunts. I really felt sorry for Joshua; that this was to be the end of his racket.

The house was exactly what I had been looking for. It was a gem of antiquity, with a great tract of land, large barn, stables and several smaller outbuildings. Huge elms shaded it; there was a natural spring providing abundant water; the nearest neighbour was a half mile away. Here, I thought, I could work and entertain and enjoy the full measure of life.

So I moved into the old house, and in the excitement of becoming established in my new home I completely forgot the story of the haunts. Forgot

After breakfast I tested the window. It was snug and tight. No amount of wind could make it rattle. Well, there were other things to do. The shutter could wait. So I forgot it, worked hard all day and went to bed exhausted.

At midnight I awoke. The night was so still that a train whistle five miles away was plainly audible. I sat up blinking a moment. Then it began. The banging of the shutter. Again I felt that prickling sensation, and in spite of myself I thought of haunts. But only a fool believes in haunts.

I seized the flashlight, went into the other room and flung up the window. The banging ceased. I looked out. Nothing. I closed the window. Waited. The banging began again. Then I whirled suddenly, certain that some one was behind me. But the room was deserted. Without realising it, I had begun to sweat. I laughed aloud. This was ridiculous. Tomorrow I would investigate that banging once and for all.

I returned to my own room, locked the door and went back to bed.

In the bright sunshine of the next morning I had an idea. Joshua was responsible. He was trying to frighten me. He had either hired some

By Stanley Cordell

it, that is, until the second night of my arrival, when there was a heavy rain and a high wind. I was awakened from a deep sleep about midnight by the banging of a shutter.

Even then I did not remember about the haunts. A banging shutter, though frequently associated with spooks and ghosts, is nothing that can not be easily fixed. So I rose, and made my way across the hall to the room from which the banging seemed to issue.

I carried a flashlight, the beam of which showed me a rain-washed window. The banging sound came from just outside. I flung up the window. Rain beat in against my face. Wind tore at my hair. I heard the distant muttering of thunder. But the banging sound had ceased. I reached out where the shutter would be, shooting the beam of my flashlight in that direction. And then I received a shock. There was no shutter outside the window.

"Blown off," I muttered. "Good." I closed the window and turned away, and then the banging of the shutter began again. I paused. Perhaps my mind had been too drugged with sleep to notice. This was annoying. I opened the window again. The banging sound ceased. And this time my flashlight showed very plainly that there was no shutter or marks of where one had been.

I closed the window and stood thinking. As I stood there the banging began again. I felt a prickling along my spinal column. Then I laughed. Silly. Haunts, indeed!

Of course there were a dozen or more explanations for it. A loose window. A branch striking the house. Something blown against it by the wind. Yes, there were plenty of explanations but I was too exhausted to bother to-night. I went back to bed and, in spite of the continued banging, fell asleep.

The morning was clear and cool. I rose and went outside and looked up at the window from where the banging had come, half expecting to see a loose shutter hanging there. But there was none. Nor was there a tree nearby. I smiled, shook my head and went in to breakfast.

children to beat on the house, or he was doing it himself. Well I'd surprise him.

That night I placed an easy chair just inside the barn door and sat there, completely concealed, but with a clear moonlight view of the window. Hours passed. No one appeared. But at exactly 12 o'clock the banging of the shutter began.

I jumped up, stealthily circled the house, found nothing. And continuously from that second-story back window a banging sound kept up. All feelings gave way to anger. This was too much. If it were a trick I intended to have Joshua arrested. He deserved it. If it were a defect in the house, I intended to find out.

During the next two days I practically tore that side of the house down. I took out the window, pried off some clapboards, tore out some wall plaster. But found nothing. And it didn't do any good.

Each night at exactly midnight the banging began. It always lasted an hour. I lay awake listening. I asked myself questions: "Why did it begin at midnight? Why did it stop when I opened the window? What was it? Certainly not haunts. Oh, not haunts!"

When I returned to the city my friends said I looked haggard and worn. I told them country life didn't agree with me. I had sold my property to a man named Joshua Turner, a very stupid, unintelligent individual who believed in haunts.

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SWITZERLAND DECIDES TO MAN FRONTIER

Berne, To-day.
The Federal Council has decided to call up troops to protect the Swiss frontiers from Tuesday morning.—Reuter.

DUBLIN'S PLANS FOR EMERGENCY

Dublin, To-day.

Plans for the regulation of Eire's internal economics in case of war are now complete, says the "Irish Press."

Plans were drawn up by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in co-operation with Irish private industry.

Sugar, bacon and butter, of which there was shortage in the last War, will now be available in sufficient quantities.

An agreement has been concluded with English mine-owners for coal supplies.—Trans-Ocean.

MOTORIST ABSENT

Mr. K. A. Bidmead, A.S.P., appeared as complainant against Heinz Klinkmueller of No. 6 Duke Street, who was summoned for driving in a dangerous manner in Repulse Bay Road, before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning.

It was alleged that defendant overtook another car on a bend at high speed.

The case was adjourned, owing to the absence of defendant.

Mr. M. Petit, of the Compagnie Des Messageries Maritimes, Queen's Building, was fined \$5, for allowing his car to remain longer than necessary in Queen's Road Central.

Mr. J. H. Odell, of "Alberose" Pokfulam, was fined \$10 for parking over time in Pedder Street.

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL WORK ON THETIS

London, To-day.

Salvage operations on the submarine Thetis are regarded as highly successful.

The wreck, which was lifted on the morning tide yesterday, was carried ashore 8½ miles.

Eight or nine further lifts are required over the remaining seven miles to the beaching site.—British Wireless.

AMERICAN DEFENCE MEASURE

London, To-day.

The American Government has ordered the mobilisation of 100,000 men of the National Guard, according to reports here last night.

It is also stated that a considerable number of British troops was transported to France yesterday, landings having taken place at the French Channel ports, principally at Dieppe.—Trans-Ocean.

A handbag, contents of which are valued at \$389, was snatched from a Chinese woman, Au Yueng, while she was walking in Nathan Road near Hamilton Street yesterday.

FRENCH CLOSURE OF THE FRONTIER: TELEPHONE CALLS ABROAD PROHIBITED

Paris, To-day.

FRANCE CLOSED HER frontiers with Germany last night following a further long conference at the Defence Ministry, at which M. Daladier presided.

The first effect of the action, which was taken immediately the decree was decided upon, is that there is no longer any direct train service between France and Germany.

Closing of the Franco-German frontier, perhaps more than any other measure, has brought home to the man in the street the gravity of the situation.

Another measure speaking eloquently of the position was yesterday's order prohibiting private telephone calls abroad and to the provinces.

British newspaper correspondents had to telegraph their stories last night instead of using the telephone, and all telegrams, whether private or press despatches, are being censored whether to or from the provinces or abroad.—Reuter.

PRESS CENSORSHIP

Censorship of the Press and all matter intended for publication, broadcasts, cinema films, has been established, according to two official decrees which are enforceable also in Algeria and the French Colonies.

The export of undeveloped photographs and films is forbidden and permission is necessary for the export of developed films and photographs.—Reuter.

BRIDGES WASHED AWAY

Sian, To-day.

Traffic on the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway has been disrupted as a result of the washing out of the bridges between Kalgan and Chaikoupao by flood.—Central News.

POLES DETERMINED AGAINST SURRENDER OF RIGHTS

Warsaw, To-day.

THE POLES ARE REMAINING imperturbable and are determined not to discuss surrender of their vital rights. The Foreign Minister, Colonel Joseph Beck, is seeing the British and French Ambassadors daily, sometimes more than once a day.

The understanding between Poland and her Western allies could not be closer, and every move by the British and French Governments is being communicated to Poland, and vice versa.

Reports from the frontier indicate that trains are no longer arriving from Germany, but it would be premature to say that rail communication has finally been severed.

Hitler's reply to M. Daladier, the French Premier, has strengthened the view that Hitler is closing the door to compromise, but political circles say that until an actual conflict begins there is always the chance that eleventh-hour negotiations may relieve the strain, especially as the consequences of the Soviet-German pact were not what Germany had hoped.—Reuter.

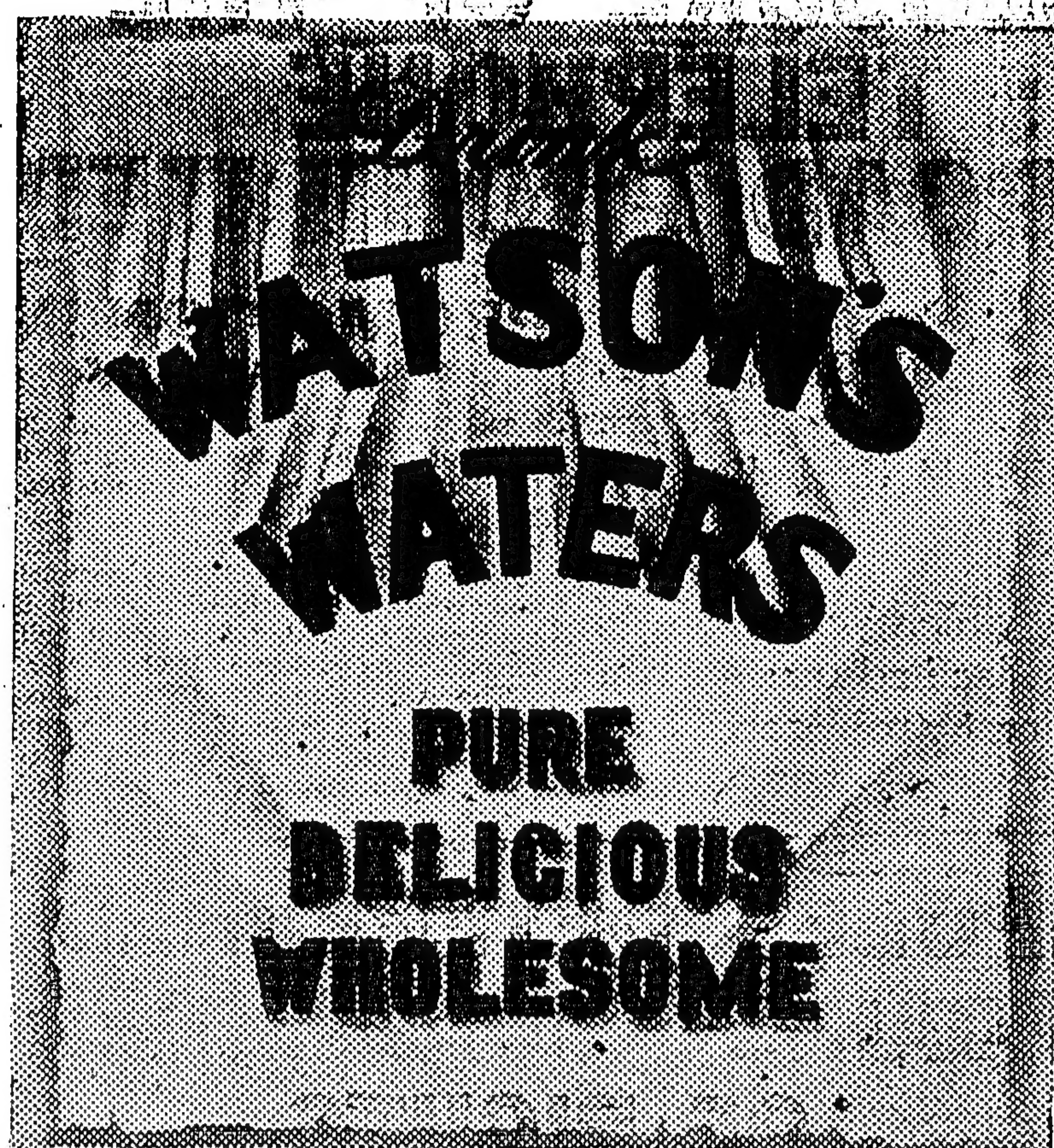
SAFE ROBBED IN VILLAGE SHOP

Seven robbers, armed with knives, looted the safe in the Ying Wo General Shop in Hang Hau Village, Satsung, and escaped with \$731.60 in money and property, belonging to Sing Sang, owner of the business.

The incident occurred at 6.45 p.m. yesterday. The robbers were on the premises about 25 minutes and escaped in the direction of the Customs Pass Road.

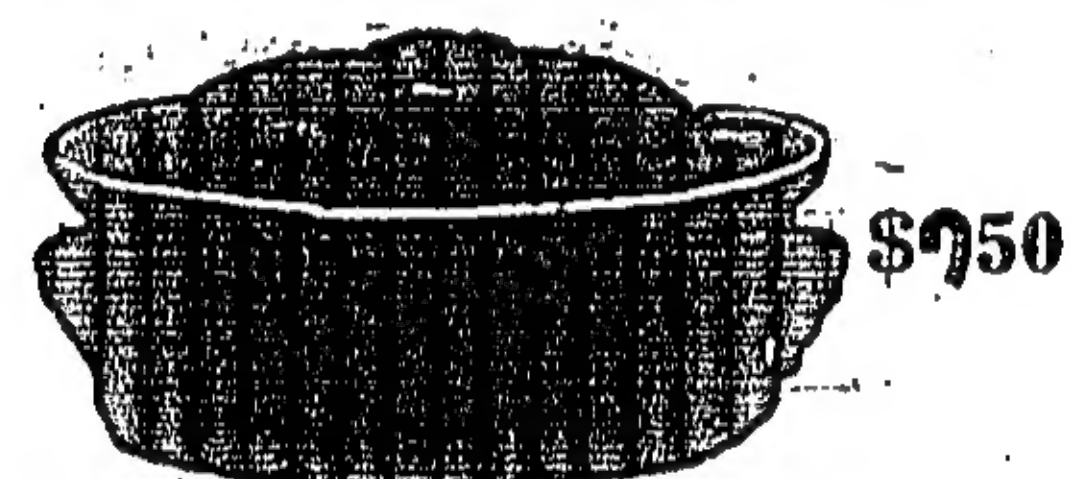


Within a day of the 25th anniversary of their landing in France, 640 men of the "Contemptible Little Army" members of the London branch of the Old Contemptibles Association, were on French soil again when they left London to pay a ceremonial visit to Boulogne. Photo shows Mr. J. Collins, East Yorks Regiment, and Mr. A. S. Willis, Cavalry Brigade, two of the 'Old Contemptibles' chatting to one of the Militia boys at Charing Cross Station before leaving.

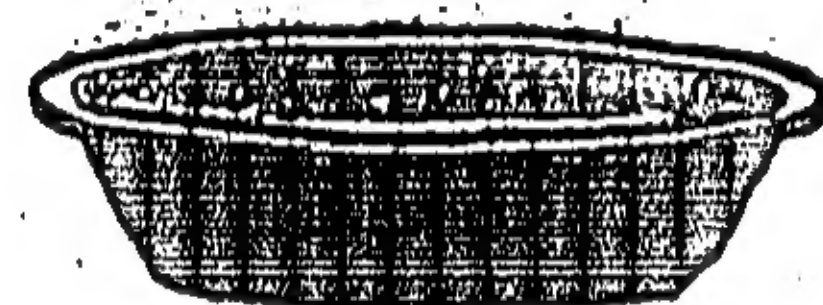


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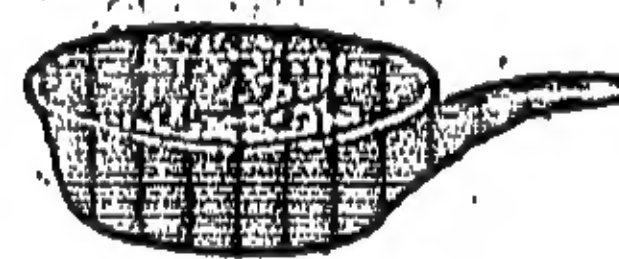
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The sentiment of appeasement is not confined to the Tory ranks. But this is most dangerous doctrine. If we are to make an attempt to conciliate the Nazi the stitches will come out overnight. There is no chance of such an offer succeeding until the Nazi leaders have recognised in their own minds that violence will not pay, and it is doubtful whether a document in Moscow will carry this conviction in Berlin.—"The Economist."

**FRANCO WILL BE
"NEUTRAL"**

The German General Staff remember the excellent services rendered by Spanish neutrality during the Great War and they are attempting to secure the same collaboration for a future war. In spite of Franco's imperialistic impetuosity he will confine himself to this and to the creation among the Spaniards of a sense of hostility towards his masters' antagonists. Italy and Germany will not force Spain into the War because they believe that the Democracies would immediately gain a succession of victories in the Peninsular.—"World Review."

DANZIG — DANGER SPOT

Danzig is the danger spot of Europe, and it appears to be the intention of Herr Hitler to keep it so, in the hope that either Poland's nerves will crack or Britain and France will bring pressure on her to accept a settlement agreeable to Germany.

One minor crisis has been safely passed. The Danzig Senate has disavowed the threat that no Polish Customs officials would be allowed to work in the Free City. But the real ruler of Danzig is not Herr Greiser but Herr Foerster, appointed as Gauleiter by Herr Hitler.—"The Fortnightly."

**THE AXIS JUNIOR
PARTNER**

The Italian in this summer of 1939 wants nothing better than friendship with England. He has not forgotten the sanctions episode, but he has tried his new friend, Germany, and his new friend seems to be leading him into all sorts of enterprises for which he has neither the time nor the heart.

England is arming — but why, and against whom? Not, it cannot be, against Italy, who is so ready to be friends with her, who so much need her friendship as a bulwark against this strange new ally into whose arms Italy seems to have been forced?—"The Fortnightly."

CRISES AND HOLIDAYS

We all know that the curtain is expected to ring up on recent alarms and excursions about the third week in August. Nobody is anticipating a placid holiday, and the adjournment of Parliament does nothing to put the sun back in an unclouded sky.

As Mr. Churchill has pointed out, people have noticed recently that it is usually when Parliament is not sitting that the worst crises happen. The mere fact that Parliament is in session gives the English people a certain sense of confidence.

But it is not only to this country that our Parliament speaks. The British Parliament is the only assembly belonging to a great European nation that still functions entirely freely. It is listened to all over the

world, and not least closely in the dictator countries. When Parliament closes down the sounding-board of the world shuts down. The world becomes mute.—"Time and Tide."

TANGANYIKA

A more excitable tendency among younger Germans in certain up-country centres, such as Mbeya and Iringa, is arousing uneasiness in unofficial circles. It is questioned whether the European tension is about to be more strongly reflected in Tanganyika.

There has been a tendency lately for Germans to withdraw from their former friendly association with the British. The attitude of the older men of all communities gives rise to the hope that better sense will prevail.—"Daily Telegraph."

THE DIFFICULTY

The fact is that the Soviet Government wish to make the proposed anti-aggression pact apply to the Baltic States, whether they want to be so guaranteed or not, whereas the British point of view is that such a policy would be in itself an encroachment upon their independence.—"Daily Mail."

**TOKYO-BERLIN RAILWAY
PLAN**

A plan for the construction of a 10,000 miles trans-Continental railway from Berlin to Tokyo has met with the full approval of Mr. Sonyu Ohtani, the Governor of the North China Development Company.

According to the plan a new line will be constructed from Paotow via Lanchow, Kabul and Baghdad via Iran. The existing railways between Baghdad and Berlin will be brought into the scheme.—"Asahi," Tokyo.

**"THE DELICATE
TERRITORIALS"**

We understand that a fair-sized rainfall proved sufficient to make the inmates of Britain's biggest Territorial Army camp run for their lives.

The flight of the 12,000 is characteristic of the amateurish manner in which the British play soldiers.

Such a thing, of course, could not happen in Italy. Our soldiers are tougher and our camps better made. The difference is not surprising: we are descendants of the Roman legions, whose camps were the admiration of the world for more than two thousand years, the British on the one hand specialised in shop-keeping and the other in colonial land-grabbing.—"Flamma," Naples.

**MR. CHAMBERLAIN
WILL WIN**

The British people now think that Mr. Chamberlain was wise in making the Munich Pact.

By-elections held in the past ten months show that the Government is appreciably holding the confidence of the people, and if there is a General Election before winter, Mr. Chamberlain is expected to win.

Two good things Mr. Chamberlain has certainly accomplished by that deal—he gave the Empire ten months more to get ready and he united the British to a marked degree in willingness to fight Germany again if the Government gives the word. Ten months ago British people were pacifistic. Now they are not.—"New York Daily News."

ACUTE'S THE WORD

"It is unfortunate that, speaking nationally, we are not strong in diplomacy. If we get an agreement with Russia in the next year or two that will be rapid. The Russians are extremely acute diplomats. You have to get up early to deal with them, and that is not our habit."—Lord Ponsonby.

IMPROVED OUTLOOK IN FAR EAST - JAPANESE GOVERNMENT CHANGES

WAR RISK INSURANCE RATES UP AGAIN

London, To-day.

A new schedule of war risk insurance issued by the Institute of London Underwriters yesterday shows large general increases, many over 100 per cent.

No rates are quoted for the Baltic and Murmansk, and the new rates exclude German and Italian flags.

Chief increases in cargo war risk insurance rates are:

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To the East and Far East, not North of 20 degrees, 20/- outward, against 20/-, and 45/- homeward against 25/-.—Reuter.

HUNGARY'S DEFENCE MEASURES

Budapest, To-day.

Admiral Horthy, the Regent of Hungary, yesterday received the Chief of the General Staff to discuss immediate defence measures, to be taken in the event of an emergency.

It is understood that Hungary has made fresh proposals for a solution of her differences with Rumania, and that the principal suggestion is the conclusion of a pact to protect the national minorities.

Such a pact would, in Hungarian opinion, go far towards improving the relations of the two countries.—Reuter.

Budapest, To-day.

The Hungarian Supreme Defence Council met yesterday with the Regent, Admiral Horthy, in the chair. The session discussed possible defence measures.—Trans-Ocean.

MARTIAL LAW POWER

Budapest, To-day.

The Government Gazette contains a decree empowering the Hungarian Premier to proclaim martial law in peace and war time, to appoint a court martial to try cases ordinarily brought before the civil courts and to extend court martial procedure to offenses hitherto dealt with by civilians.—Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day.

OFFICIAL CIRCLES will not comment on the resignation of the Japanese Cabinet till the nature of its successor is revealed.

Nevertheless they acknowledge that the outlook in the Far East certainly appears to be improving.

Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu, the Japanese Ambassador, left for London early yesterday from his country house at Maidenhead and immediately immersed himself in work and was unable to see visitors.

CHINESE AND JAPANESE AMBASSADORS AT THE F.O.

London, To-day.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador, paid a 45-minute visit to the Foreign Office yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu, the Japanese Ambassador, visited the Foreign Office at the same time, but remained 90 minutes.—Reuter.

CABINET MAKING IN JAPAN

Tokyo, To-day.

General Abe, after being officially appointed Premier by the Emperor, visited Prince Konoye last night to discuss possible Cabinet candidates.

Admiral Yoshida, commander-in-chief of the Combined Fleet, has been appointed Navy Minister. He left Osaka last night and arrived in Tokyo at 7.10 this morning.

Lt.-Gen. Tada, who is with the army in North China, has been appointed War Minister. General Tada, a well-known moderate, will fly to Tokyo shortly.—Our Own Correspondent.

ALL SHIPS TO BE DARKENED

London, To-day.

Orders were issued by the Admiralty last evening providing for the darkening of British ships and also Dominion or foreign vessels when the latter are within territorial waters of the United Kingdom.

The orders contain regulations regarding the showing of lights of all kinds, including navigation, steering and anchor lights.

Another order prohibits the use of wireless transmitters on board any sea-going ship or any vessels in the tidal waters of Britain and Northern Ireland.—Reuter.

No confirmation is yet obtainable in Japanese official circles that he is to be Foreign Minister in the new Cabinet.

Japanese businessmen, although stoutly disbelieving that the Japanese Government ever really intended to form a military alliance with Germany, say that Japanese political etiquette made inevitable the resignation of the Cabinet, whose foreign policy was so closely bound up with the Axis.

NEVER RELISHED

They emphasise that the vast majority of Japanese never relished the Axis connection, and are of opinion that General Abe's Cabinet is likely to be the most popular in Japan since the occupation of Manchuria.

They give both General Abe and General Isogai a high character as men of strength combined with far-sightedness and moderation.

It is recalled that General Abe was the only general who pressed for the resignation of all the generals after the February Mutiny in 1936, on the ground that they were responsible for the affair.

GRADUAL CHANGE

In reference to Great Britain, a high Japanese authority told Reuter that demonstrative overtures to Britain by Japan were neither to be expected nor desirable.

What one may hope to see, he said, is a gradual return to the state of relationships of June, 1937, when Mr. Anthony Eden and Mr. Yoshida (the then Ambassador in London) were about to open negotiations for settlement of all matters at issue between Britain and Japan.—Reuter.

FIVE MINUTES ENOUGH

Moscow, To-day.

It is now learned that yesterday's action of the Lower House of the Soviet Parliament was the adoption unanimously of a three-point agenda, in which the third point is ratification of the Soviet-German pact.

The whole session lasted five minutes.—Reuter.

WHAT MODERN AIR WAR MEANS

Remarkable revelations concerning the power and real strength of the German and Italian military air forces are made in a series of articles commencing in the "China Mail" tomorrow.

The author is a Swiss journalist who during the whole period of the Spanish Civil War was a war correspondent in Spain. His information is based on information obtained from the archives of the Spanish military intelligence services.

Military and aeronautical experts who were consulted before the series was released for publication have expressed surprise at the precise information concerning the value and performance of the machines used in Spain.

ITALIAN ASSURANCE TO JAPAN

Tokyo, To-day.

Italy has given Japan an assurance that the Italian attitude is not affected by the German-Soviet pact.

Italy states she earnestly desires to maintain and increase her friendly relations with Japan.

Well-informed observers believe that reports from German sources regarding the possibility of a rapprochement between Japan and the Soviet are intended purely for German home consumption and as propaganda against Britain, the Domei News agency states.

The suggestion that Italy might join the Soviet pact is also attributed to German sources and is received with scepticism, especially in view of the Italian assurances.—Reuter.

OPPOSED TO COMPROMISE

London, To-day.

Britain is opposed to any compromise in solving the present European crisis, state all the newspapers evidently on authority of instructions received from higher quarters.

"The Times" emphasises the firmness of the British guarantee to Poland. The "Daily Telegraph" declares that compromise is out of the question.—Trans-Ocean.

Here's Luck!

EWO BEER

BRITONS RETURNING TO BORDER ZONE: OVER 3,000 JAPANESE NOW WITHDRAWN

MOSCOW PACT NOT RATIFIED

Moscow, To-day.

Reports that the Russo-German pact has been ratified, are erroneous. The discussion on the pact is the third item on the agenda.

Yesterday only the first item was dealt with and, therefore, in all probability, the Russo-German pact will not be ratified before to-morrow at the earliest. — Trans-Ocean.

STALIN ABSENT

Moscow, To-day.

The meeting of the First Chamber of the Supreme Soviet Council of the Union opened in the Grand Palace of Kremlin yesterday with the entire Soviet Government, headed by the Chairman of the People's Council, M. Molotov, present.

M. Stalin was absent.

The meeting was opened by the President of the Supreme Soviet Council, M. Andreyev, after which the following three points of agenda were to be approved:

- (1.) legislation concerning agricultural tax.
- (2.) bill covering general military service.
- (3.) ratification of German-Soviet non-aggression and consultative pact.

When the agenda had been announced, the meeting was adjourned.

The Council of Nationalities then met at four for the same purpose.

The plenary session of both Chambers was scheduled for seven p.m. — Trans-Ocean.

PLAYING FOR TIME?

London, To-day.

The impression in foreign circles, writes the Moscow correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," is that the subject of ratification of the Soviet-German non-aggression pact was made the last item on the agenda of the Supreme Council of the U.S.S.R. to give the war an opportunity of starting with the pact not ratified.

The Soviet would then be able to reconsider the position if it were considered expedient. — Reuter.

SHANGHAI CHARGES

Chungking, To-day.

A spokesman of the Shanghai Municipal Council has denied the Japanese allegation that there are other Chinese troops in the International Settlement than the 400 internees belonging to the "Lone Battalion," states a Shanghai report.

There is no truth in the allegation that the number of Chinese troops disarmed and given sanctuary in the International Settlement and the French Concession upon the Chinese withdrawal from Shanghai in 1937 was between 6,000 and 7,000. — Central News.

TO PAY FINE AND COMPENSATION

H. L. Dean, of Lock Road, was this morning fined \$25 and ordered to pay \$50 compensation, to an aged woman by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen for driving without due care and caution.

He was alleged to have knocked down the complainant who was walking along Castle Peak Road with a cow and calf.

BETWEEN THREE and five thousand Japanese troops have been withdrawn from the Hong Kong-Chinese frontier zone and have re-embarked in transports anchored in Taishan Bay and off Chekwang.

The movement of Japanese troops westwards, towards Namtau, is continuing moreover, although there is no sign of evacuation; merely, that the border force is being substantially reduced.

On the British side of the border, all is calm and quiet, as it has been since the sudden descent of the Japanese on the border zone in force.

BRITONS RETURNING TO BORDER RESIDENCES

Several British residents in the New Territories who were advised last Wednesday to leave areas north of Taipo, are returning to their homes.

The police state that the Government has not advised them to return. They are returning on their own responsibility.

Rumours circulating in town to-day that the British and Indian troops are being withdrawn from the border, were denied in official quarters.

JAPANESE ARMY STATEMENT

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

A SEMI-OFFICIAL STATEMENT ISSUED BY ARMY CIRCLES SAYS THAT THE NEW ARMY POLICY MUST BE MADE CLEAR AND PUT INTO EFFECT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Japan, says the statement, expects pressure from foreign Powers while she continues the China war.

Japan must not rely on foreign assistance in solving Far Eastern problems.

The statement calls for further drastic measures towards "national mobilisation," including intensive economic development, and for pursuance of the policies already laid down in the China Affair. — Our Own Correspondent.

ARAB PARTY AFFIRMS LOYALTY

Jerusalem, To-day.

A delegation from the Arab Defence Party yesterday visited the High Commissioner and affirmed their loyalty to Britain and their willingness to support Britain in an emergency. — Reuter.

NORWEGIAN NAVY CALL UP MEN

Oslo, To-day.

Classes 1936 and 1935 of the Norwegian Navy, have been called up.

The Norwegian State Council, on Monday, banned all exports from Norway, including tinned fish, timber and ore.

The Norwegian State Council furthermore placed a ban on the sale of Norwegian ships of the shipping shares to foreigners. — Trans-Ocean.

TENTATIVE MOVE FOR MEDIATION?

Brussels, To-day.

It is rumoured here that M. Pierlot's interview with the four Ambassadors and the Polish Minister was concerned with a tentative move for mediation. — Reuter.

CHURCHILL FOR THE CABINET?

London, To-day.

Conferences have been held between various members of the Cabinet and Mr. Winston Churchill and it is assumed that Mr. Churchill will be received shortly by the Prime Minister.

The conferences which took place yesterday afternoon between Mr. Chamberlain and the two leaders of opposition, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Greenwood, dealt partly with changes in the Government, it is believed, although it is known that the Prime Minister utilised the opportunity for informing the two politicians of the final text of the British answer to the German Chancellor. — Trans-Ocean.

TYPHOON NEARING SHANGHAI

The Royal Observatory reports that a moderate anticyclone is stationary to the east of Japan.

The Typhoon is situated about 200 miles to the south-east of Shanghai, moving west-north-west.

Pressure remains relatively low over Tongking.

NORTH SEA RESTRICTIONS

Rotterdam, To-day.

The mail and passenger service between Harwich and the Hook of Holland has been suspended.

However, the Harwich-Flushing service is still being operated. — Trans-Ocean.

EIRE'S POSITION IN THE EVENT OF WAR

Dublin, To-day.

WITH REFERENCE to reports circulated abroad regarding Eire's position in the event of war no pronouncement has been made, nor has any statement been issued, by the Government since the present crisis began indicating what its attitude would be in a European war.

No statement can be expected until war comes.

If it should come, the Dail would be summoned and the Premier, Mr. de Valera, would make a full statement.

Nearest approach to a Ministerial statement on Eire's war attitude was that made by Mr. Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce, at Queenstown on Thursday last week, when he said: "The people of Ireland have no national interests or association with the questions which have set Europe ablaze." — Reuter.

SIX-POWER CONFERENCE RUMOUR

London, To-day.

It is reported in some British newspapers to-day, in messages from Rome, that Signor Mussolini may make a bid for peace by suggesting a Six-Power Conference. — Trans-Ocean.

DETAILS OF GERMAN TRADE PACT

Berlin, To-day.

Details of the German-Soviet trade agreement which were revealed yesterday for the first time, indicate that of the German credit of 200 million marks, only 120 million marks will be used during the first year.

The goods which Russia will receive from Germany include factory equipment, mine installations, machinery for chemical industries, laboratory materials, electro-technical equipments and so on.

Russia will provide Germany in turn with agricultural and forest products, as well as raw materials, unfinished articles and petroleum.

It is emphasised that the German and Russian deliveries under the agreement are to be regarded as "supplementary" and are not included in the current commerce between the two countries. — Trans-Ocean.

U.S. URGED TO ACT

Washington, To-day.

An editorial in the Washington "Times-Herald" challenges the United States Government to take advantage of the isolated position of Japan and to combat Japan with all means available.

"Why do we not blockade Japan? Not taking advantage of the present opportunity would be a weakness of which the United States has always been accused by the totalitarian States."

The paper says there is an opportunity to overthrow the Japanese military caste which may never occur again. — Trans-Ocean.

AIR SERVICES TO BE RESUMED

Brussels, To-day.

The Belgian air service company, Sadena, has decided to reopen all air routes including those to Germany. — Trans-Ocean.

DOG OFFENCES

Summoned before Mr. E. Himsforth this morning B. Thompson, of Hillwood Road, was fined \$10 for allowing his dog to wander abroad without a muzzle or a lead and with not having a licence for it.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on Captain E. A. R. Fowles, of Knufford Hotel, for a similar offence.

News Snack Bar

£100,000 GIFT TO FIGHT PARALYSIS

A HOSPITAL with therapeutic pools and seawater baths, designed on the latest scientific principles, is likely to be built at Hayling Island for the treatment of infantile paralysis.

Sir Alexander Campbell Maclean has given £100,000 to the Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital for a new seaside branch.

R-R-RATS!

Most rat-infested county in England is Yorkshire, says Andrew Hutchison, of Ayton (Berwickshire), the Scottish "Pied Piper." He has caught 650 rats in Middleham, North Yorks, in six days. His total "bag" in Yorkshire is 70,000.

Hutchison attracts rats in a peculiar secret manner handed down from his great grandfather, Robert Hutchison, and kills them with his hands. His "enticement" is effective to 300 yards.

He recently visited America to study hydro-therapeutic treatment (under-water gymnastics) for infantile paralysis and other crippling conditions, and has provided money so that British sufferers may have similar facilities.

Sir Alexander, who received his knighthood in the last Birthday Honours list for his public and philanthropic services, has already given £10,000 to the Royal Victoria and West Hants Hospital, Bournemouth, and £5,000 to the fund for a cancer treatment centre in that hospital. He also financed the first laboratories for the Empire Rheumatism Council at St. John's Wood, N. W.

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Australia Decides On Militia

The Australian Government is to rely on a more intensely trained Militia rather than on a standing army, the Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. R. G. Menzies, announced. This was decided by the Cabinet despite strong opposition by General Squires, Inspector-General of the Australian Forces.

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Somerset Maugham

Honoured

Mr. W. Somerset Maugham, the British novelist, has been promoted to the rank of Commander of the Legion of Honour, it was announced in Paris.



AFFECTION AT THE ZOO—Judging by this picture of Raj-Plari, the young Indian elephant at the Children's Zoo (London Zoo) he is evidently very fond of his keeper and gives him a caress with his trunk.

Woolwich Arsenal Holiday

About 20,000 employees at Woolwich Arsenal and Royal Dockyard ceased work until Aug. 8 for their annual holiday with pay, leaving essential work to be carried on by a skeleton staff.

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Dr. Wilhelm Wolf, last Austrian Foreign Minister, was killed in a car crash at St. Poelten, 25 miles from Vienna.

Gymnast's Broken Neck

Six days after he broke his neck in a gymnastic display at a fete, John Moore, 18, of Padcroft Remand Home, Yiewsley, Middlesex, died in hospital.

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Mayor's Party For 50,000

Ald. A. B. C. Kempe, the Mayor of Ramsgate, has invited all holiday-makers there to take tea with him on the sands. His idea is "to make visitors feel at home and give them an opportunity of airing any grievances and offering suggestions." It is estimated that there are 50,000 visitors at Ramsgate.

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Monk Kept Promise

A benedictine monk of the Buckfast Abbey community in Devon smiled happily as wedding guests showered confetti on a couple he had just married.

It was Father Martin's first wedding ceremony since his ordination a week ago. Appropriately, the bridegroom was his brother.

The bridegroom was Mr. Leonard Francis Griffin, of Roton Park-road, Edgbaston, Birmingham; the bride was Miss Kathleen Hooper, of Harborne, Birmingham.

"My brother has been a monk at Buckfast for six or seven years, and long ago we agreed that if it were possible when I was married he would perform the ceremony," the bridegroom said.

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Cmdr. H. Owen, British Naval Attache in Portugal, who was recently appointed to a similar post in Spain, has returned to Lisbon after his first official visit to Madrid.

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The City Council of Cape Town accepted without discussion two British tenders for electrical equipment, one of £27,010 and the other of £118, though higher than the lowest German tender.

The Dangerous Age

It is remarkable that people killed on railways or buildings are not the young and inexperienced, but nearly always the thoroughly experienced people, said Mr. A. Douglas Cowburn, South London coroner, at a Southwark inquest.

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Invalid In River

An aged invalid, Mrs. M. H. Hetherington, of Birmingham, was rescued from the River Wye after her bath chair had run backward down a grassy slope.

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£115 For 4-inches

Bronze Horse

A bronze horse only 4in. in height—Assyrian work of the seventh century B. C.—was sold for £115 at Sotheby's. Modelled in galloping attitude, it had formed part of a chariot group.

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Art School

Fire Drama

The destruction by fire of an art school at Dedham, Suffolk, followed what is said to have been the students' defiance of a Buddhist superstition—a statue of Buddha arrived at the school and the students were told that if it were removed from its pedestal disaster would follow. Some of them placed it on the floor. After the fire only the statue remained undamaged.

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P.-c. Ernest Hayward was presented at Bow-street Police-court with a cheque for £15 in recognition of his courage in dealing with an I.R.A. bomb found in Tottenham Court-road, W.

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The 626-ton steamer Colorado, flying the flag of Panama, and carrying 373 Jewish refugees, was detained off Herzlia Colony, inside Palestine territorial waters, by the destroyer Imperial and escorted to Haifa.

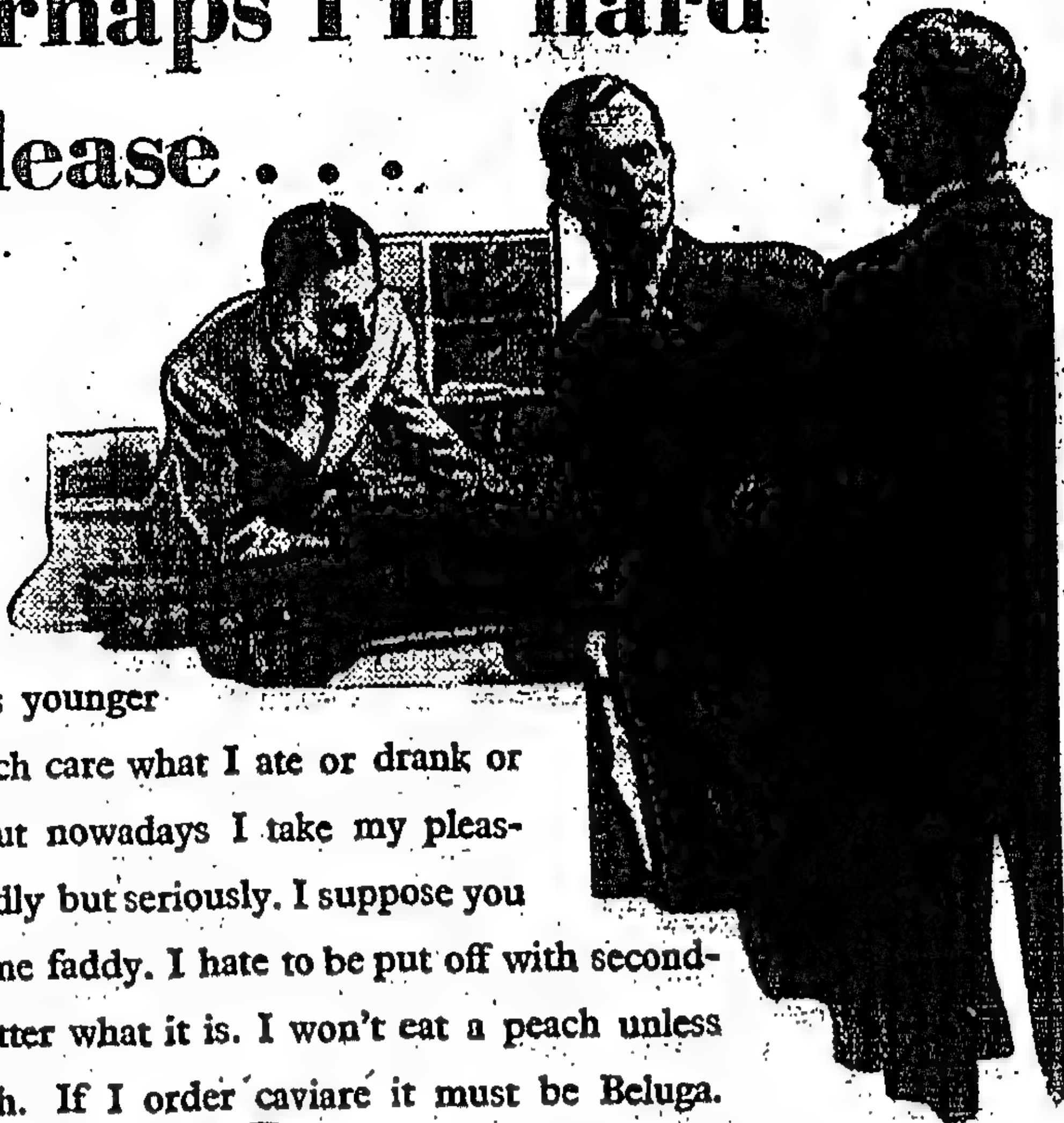
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M. Adam Karpinski, the leader, and M. Herna, a member of the Polish Himalayan Expedition, have been killed by an avalanche, according to messages from Almora, India, where the expedition was due to return.



ARMY BREAKS ALL RECRUITING RECORDS—Regular Army recruiting broke all records for June since the war. Recruits accepted numbered 3,672 which is an increase of 1,089 over the corresponding figures for June of last year. This means a very busy time for the Recruiters, especially at the Central Recruiting Depot at Great Scotland Yard, London. It is a little known fact that the Recruiters accompany the batches of recruits to the railway station to see them off to the Depot. Photo shows Army Recruiter H. Harris having farewell to yet another batch of recruits as they set off for their depot.

"Perhaps I'm hard to please . . .



When I was younger

I didn't much care what I ate or drank or smoked. But nowadays I take my pleasures, not sadly but seriously. I suppose you would call me faddy. I hate to be put off with second-best, no matter what it is. I won't eat a peach unless it is English. If I order caviare it must be Beluga.

You see what I mean about whisky.

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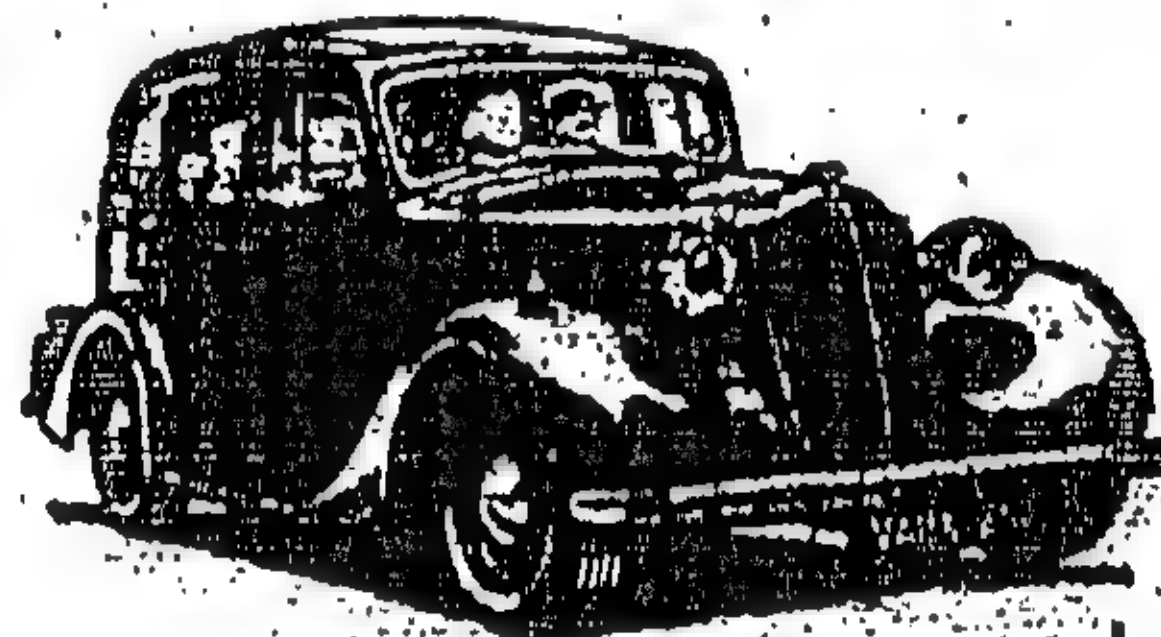
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DECISIVE FACTOR IN BATTLE

By REGINALD HARGREAVES

When, about 1320, Bartholomew Schwartz of Brunswick permitted his mind to concentrate upon the lethal possibilities of that child of his brain which Shakespeare has so ruefully described as "villainous saltpetre," then the Royal Regiment of Artillery may reasonably be said to have been in a fair way of achieving birth. Given the fact of gunpowder, and its application to the purposes of warfare could only be a matter of time.

There were cannon—of a kind—at Crecy, at Poitiers; and "Bluff King Hal," for all the fidelity with which he cherished the archer, was an enthusiastic sponsor of the art of the artillerist. Indeed, his "twelve great gonnés," ironically dubbed "the Twelve Apostles," were his unfailing source of pride and joy; despite the fact that at the siege of Tournay "St. John" fell into disgrace as the outcome of getting hopelessly stuck in the mud!

SOLITARY "ARTILLATOR"

AGED EIGHTY-ONE

Under Elizabeth, however, the Artillery suffered even more acutely than most from the general neglect which was the fate of the Army as a whole; the gunner "garrison" of one of our most important seaports consisting at one time of a solitary "artillator" owing to the venerable age of 81.

Cromwell's "New Model" Army possessed a fair train of artillery; and there were gunners to be found in Restoration days. But their activities were mostly confined to siege work. Their lack of mobility was in no way bettered by the fact that such drivers as they possessed were not soldiers, but temporarily hired civilians, subject to no military discipline or organisation, and demanding an inordinately heavy infantry escort to look after them and generally ensure that they were kept out of trouble.

The genesis of the Royal Regiment which was to come may be found in the regimental artillery train instituted under William III. in 1698. By 1716 it was considered necessary to

found a standing force of Artillery, as, since 1661, it had been deemed imperative to maintain a standing body of Infantry and Cavalry.

CIVILIAN DRIVERS IN WHITE SMOCKS

The Royal Regiment's first Colonel was curiously enough, a Dane, Albert Borgard, whose many years of warfare, first with the Danish and then with the Russian armies, had brought him finally to serve in that of Great Britain. It was his good fortune to take the field under that great commander, John Duke of Marlborough, himself no mean artillerist, as Malplaquet bore witness, and quite capable, as at Blenheim, of superintending the laying of each gun in person.

Under the command of Borgard—with his seven wounds, including the loss of his left arm, and his wide experience gained in 23 sieges and 18 major combats—the Royal Artillery in 1716 achieved organisation on a permanent basis of two companies, which were further increased to four in 1727.

By 1749 this force had grown to a total of 10 companies, with the Royal Military Academy at Woolwich (founded in 1741) as its "spiritual home" and the training ground for its highly efficient personnel. Clothed, fed and paid by the Board of Ordnance, in many ways the Gunners were in considerably better case than their comrades of the line, at the mercy of a War Office more concerned with holding its own amidst all the intrigues of party politics than with cherishing the welfare of the hapless soldiery.

One drawback alone persisted—the inefficiency and insubordination of the hobbled "civilian" drivers, in their blue-collared white smocks, by whom the guns themselves were moved—so lazily and inexpertly!—from place to place. Despite this dragging handicap, at the battle of Minden in 1759 the enterprising Capt. Phillips so galvanised his trains of drivers into activity that they positively raced one another to be first on the spot in support of the advancing infantry; a feat they even excelled in coming up at the gallop—for the first time in history—to complete the rout of the French at Warburg in 1760.

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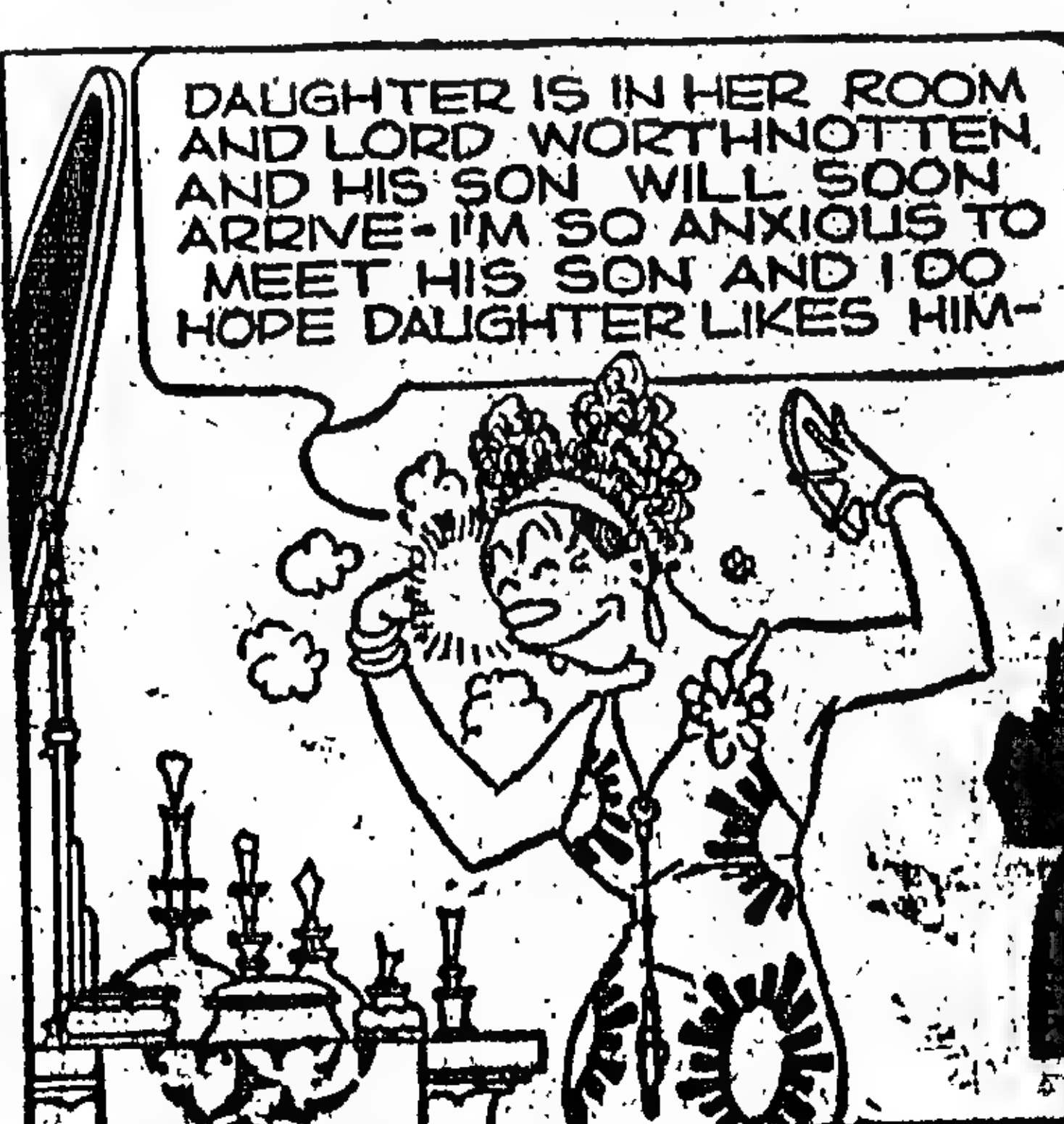
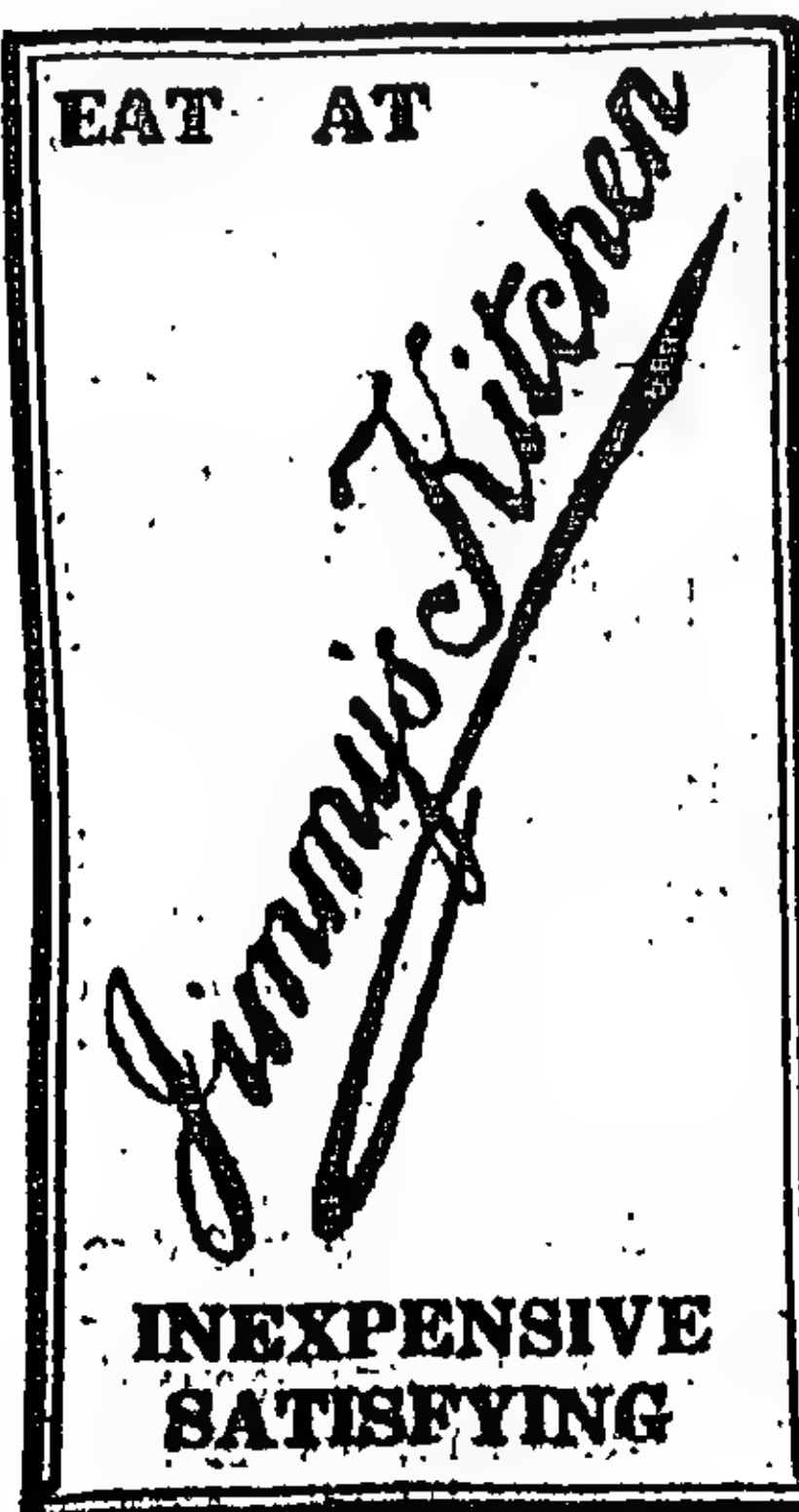
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TS FOR THE "LINGIAD"—A team of boy gymnasts, representing the National Association, took part in the Ling Centenary celebrations in Stockholm, Sweden. The "Lingiad" was a gymnastic and scientific exercise. Photo shows a study of health and fitness as boys line up of various exercise they performed in Sweden. A picture at the camp of the Oxford Club at Sevenoaks, Kent.

ryman to attain owed to his own and his Commander's dignity solemnly to salute Sir Samuel Auchmuty with the one sound hand remaining as he passed.

Victory at Waterloo owed as much to the stout-hearted work of the Artillery as to the indomitable solidity of the Infantry. Spaced out between the rigid red-coated linesmen, and firing their pieces until the last possible moment, as the enemy cavalry came surging up to the bristling hedge of bayonets, the blue-coated Gunners ran swiftly for the shelter of the squares, bowling their gun-wheels nimbly before them—only to dart forth again to the service of their pieces at the first sign of ebbing in the persistent tide of onslaught.

The years of peace that followed Waterloo found work of a very different stamp awaiting the attention of one member of the Royal Regiment, and his labours in the cause of posterity should be the subject of our gratitude to this day. For it is to William Mudge, deflected from his normal activities to what was considered the backwater of the Trigonometrical Survey, that we owe the magnificent Ordnance Maps which are the unfailing standby of every motorist and hiker in the land.

CHANGES IN WAR TACTICS
The Crimean campaign was fruitful of few laurels. But the men of the Artillery—stoically serving the 800 pieces they had managed to concentrate, old-fashioned sponge and rammer in hand—froze and starved, swore and grinned and bore it with the same indomitable quality of endurance as characterised their unflinching comrades of the Cavalry and Foot.

The Artillery of the Indian Mutiny gave us one world-famous figure in Lord Roberts, V.C. But, five years later, the invention of the breech-loading gun brought about an improvement in the efficiency of the artillery arm which was destined to revolutionise not only that arm itself, but the whole process of waging war.

The varying nature of the demands on their support had already subdivided the Gunners into Horse, Field, Mountain and Garrison Artillery; the first for cooperation with the armée blanche—"Where the Cavalry go, the Horse-Gunners go, too!"—the second for close support of the Infantry; the third for difficult work in such grueling terrains-de-campaign as the North-West Frontier of India; and the last to man the "guns of position" in our coastal fortresses and provide the personnel for weapons of heavy calibre in the field.

To these must nowadays be added the highly important Anti-Aircraft Section, so significant a factor in the provision against aerial offence.

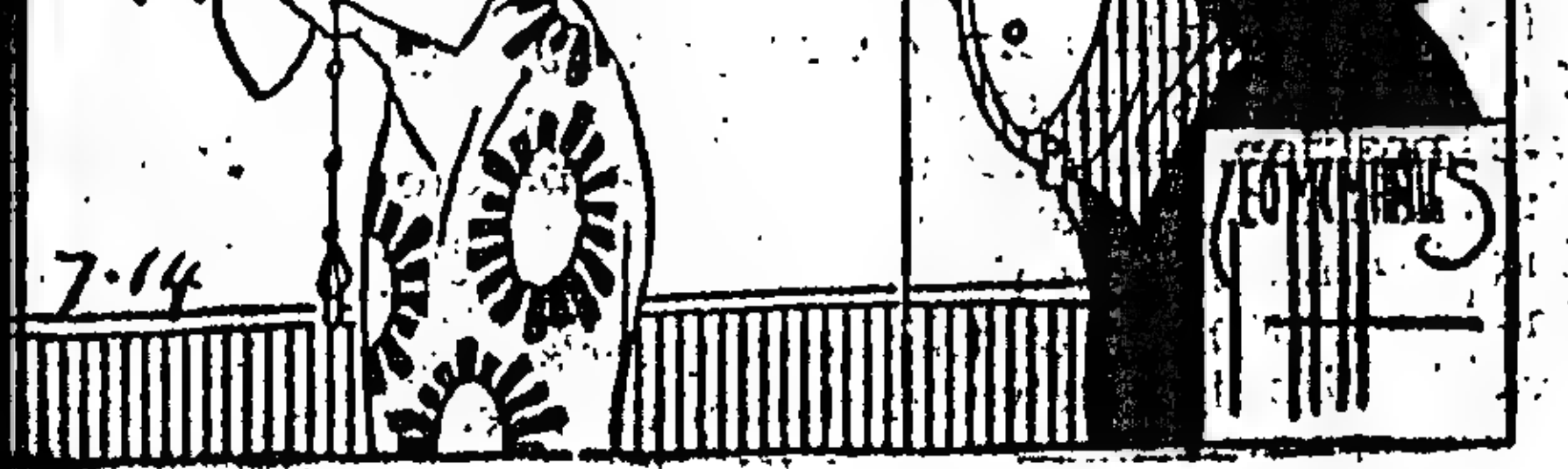
The R.H.A., may always be known by their assumption, in full dress, of a busby and uniform very similar to that of the Hussars. For their gallant conduct at the reduction of Martinique, in the mid-18th century, the No. 11 Company R.G.A. received as a mark of honour a battle-axe, which it was directed should always be carried by the tallest gunner at the head of the battery on parade.

BATTERY'S THREE V.C.s

The tremendously accelerated rate of fire which the next half-century was to see the Artilleryman develop culminated in rendering his intervention the determining factor on every battlefield on which his services were seriously engaged.

South Africa, for all the elusive target presented by the Boer, was a valuable "dress rehearsal" for the leading role the Gunners were destined to play in the Great War years. Hundreds have read of the immortal fight put up by "L" Battery, R.H.A., against a whole German Cavalry Division, with its full complement of artillery, at Nery during the retreat from Mons—no fewer than three V.C.s were the reward for this heroic episode—and of the solid, unfailing support afforded to British and Allied troops alike in the August-November advance which brought the conflict to a triumphant end.

Still, when parading with their guns, "the right of the line"—save on those rare occasions when the Royal Marines are present or when aircraft are drawn up for ground inspection—the additional claim to rank as "the pride of the Army" is more than justified by the literal and simple truth



By George McManus

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STREAMLINED FIGURES

For The Small Of The Back

By DONALD LOOMIS

Most women have a weak sacrum, so all of you should try this exercise. It is also a great hip reducer.

Lie down on the floor or exercise mat, face up; fold arms across chest; draw the knees up and raise the hips off the floor. Lower slowly and raise again. Do this ten times.

If you are troubled with constipation, expand and contract the stomach muscles while your knees are raised. Then massage the abdomen with the fingers in a circular movement.

We hear too much about constipa-

Witty Kitty



A gossip is she who makes the wheels of discontent spin around.

Mr. Loomis is physical director of the stars at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios. He has charge of such stars as Joan Crawford, Jeanette MacDonald, Norma Shearer, Robert Taylor, Clark Gable and Robert Montgomery.

tion these days. Drug stores make fortunes from cathartics. This is all wrong. In former days, people worked hard, got thirsty, perspired and drank lots of water. They walked because they had no cars and they kept themselves in better shape.

People don't perspire now, because they seldom do physical labour, so they don't notice thirst and don't drink water. They are usually under a nervous strain, turning out work at a pressing pace, driving in traffic, or trying to beat the other fellow. They have no time to relax.

Early deaths of brilliant men, such as have occurred lately in the motion-picture industry, can be laid to this nervous strain, this inability to relax. You must make up your mind to take time to preserve your most valuable asset—health.

Madge Evans is a beautiful, well-proportioned girl, whose tendency is



to take on weight below the waist; but Madge has a stubborn streak in her that will not give the excess pounds a chance to get ahead. She is a conscientious exerciser and she—not Nature—should take the bow for her streamlined figure.

If you are inclined to take on weight easily, you needn't make dieting a chore. Just remember never to take two starches at one meal, and that if you take meat at a meal, you must not take eggs or milk at the same time.

I don't always give people diets. Jean Harlow is one of those fortunate girls who can eat anything at any time and vary never an ounce. But Jean is not a lazy girl. She comes in to keep in condition, whether she needs it or not.

If you would like to reduce the hips, follow the above exercise with this one:

Sit on the floor, knees bent and apart, toes together. Grasp the toes firmly with both hands. Roll over backward without letting go of the toes, then roll to right side, then to left and back to the sitting position. Next close the knees, still bent, clasp the hands under the knees and roll backward and forward with the same motion as that of a rocking horse.

It is regularity that counts in all exercise. You can't do every exercise you ever heard of one night, and then forget all about it for a week and expect a streamlined figure to develop of its own accord.

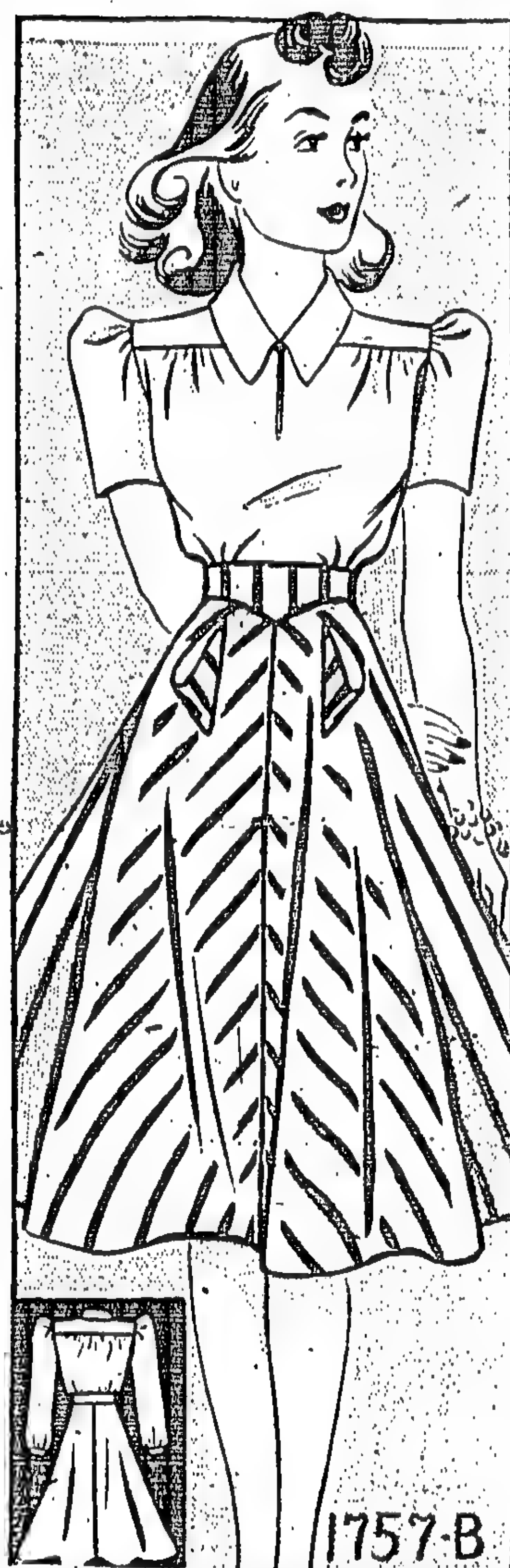
You needn't do the same exercises every day, but you must do a comprehensive set that will take care of your particular figure faults or keep you in connection.

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

Through slipshod methods, and an inability to concentrate many housewives and businessmen and women, might find themselves in difficulties. So systemise your work this day. There will be many money-making opportunities for "Go-getters" so it may pay you to be energetic and to do a lot of hustling. Avoid being too formal in your social or business contacts, for an excess of conventionality is likely to act as a damp blanket upon many a supposedly convivial gathering, as well as business conference. This is a poor day to try to infringe on people's rights or to take up their time. Few people will have any time to spare to entertain friends during business hours this day, so bear this in mind, particularly if you telephone anyone and feel inclined to hold a lengthy conversation. Married and engaged couples, as well as those who are considering a matrimonial future together, should avoid trying to exert an undue amount of influence over each other's thoughts or actions, this day.

If a woman and August 29 is your birthday, you must guard against getting into the habit of being, at times, rather unconventional. You may confide your private affairs too freely to casual acquaintances. Avoid trying to reform other people, or you are apt to find it a very thankless task. You must learn to control your nerves and temper, or they might cause you much unhappiness. Wealth appears to be destined to play an important part in your life. Through music, art, acting, singing, writing or selling, prosperity may brighten your days, and your name may become widely known. A husband seems to be the logical medium through which you can expect to receive your greatest happiness and freedom from worries.

The child born on August 29, has, as a rule, an exceptionally good disposition, an unusually happy nature, and a humorous way of expressing itself. Through a lovable personality and popularity this youngster's way in life is likely to be a very easy one.

Here's a sport hair dress, centre part: Section off sides and draw upward nearly to centre part three huge pin curls. Back is brushed downward and rolled under on paper rollers.

Remember in styling the hair to consider the whole figure; don't confine yourself to the head alone.

The trouble with most girls is that they sit before their mirrors and look at themselves either just below the chin—or as far down as the waistline, and forget that the remainder of the body is also important when it comes to deciding about a coiffure.

That's why you see freakish little things with enormous heads puffed out with fat curls and rolls; tall, lanky figures with tiny heads dressed too closely; stoop-shouldered girls who appear not to have necks, because the

TO-DAY'S COMMANDMENT

Women should favour a right part whenever possible. Hats are always tipped to the right and, if the full side of the hair is exposed, a more effective style can be accomplished.

hair is dressed too low; long-necked girls with no locks to help conceal the fault; a thickness at waist, seemingly repeated at the neck, and so on.

See if your hair dress adds height. If that's what you want, let it alone; if you are too tall now, take it down.

It is well to consider what sort of hat you intend to wear with your new hair-do. Some hats look exceptionally well with the new styles, while others tend to add a ridiculous touch. A girl with a tip-tilted nose can get added piquancy from a saucy hat that would merely bring out imperfections in her longer-nosed sister.

If your ears are bare in the new hair dress, don't choose the hat that will give you a Punch-and-Judy aspect. That same hat may look well with a curl to soften the brim.

Next: For Street and Sports

This is another of a series of articles on hair styles, a most important subject to all women. The series is written by Helen Hunt, famous Hollywood hair stylist and head of the hair-dressing department of Columbia Studios.

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By HELEN HUNT



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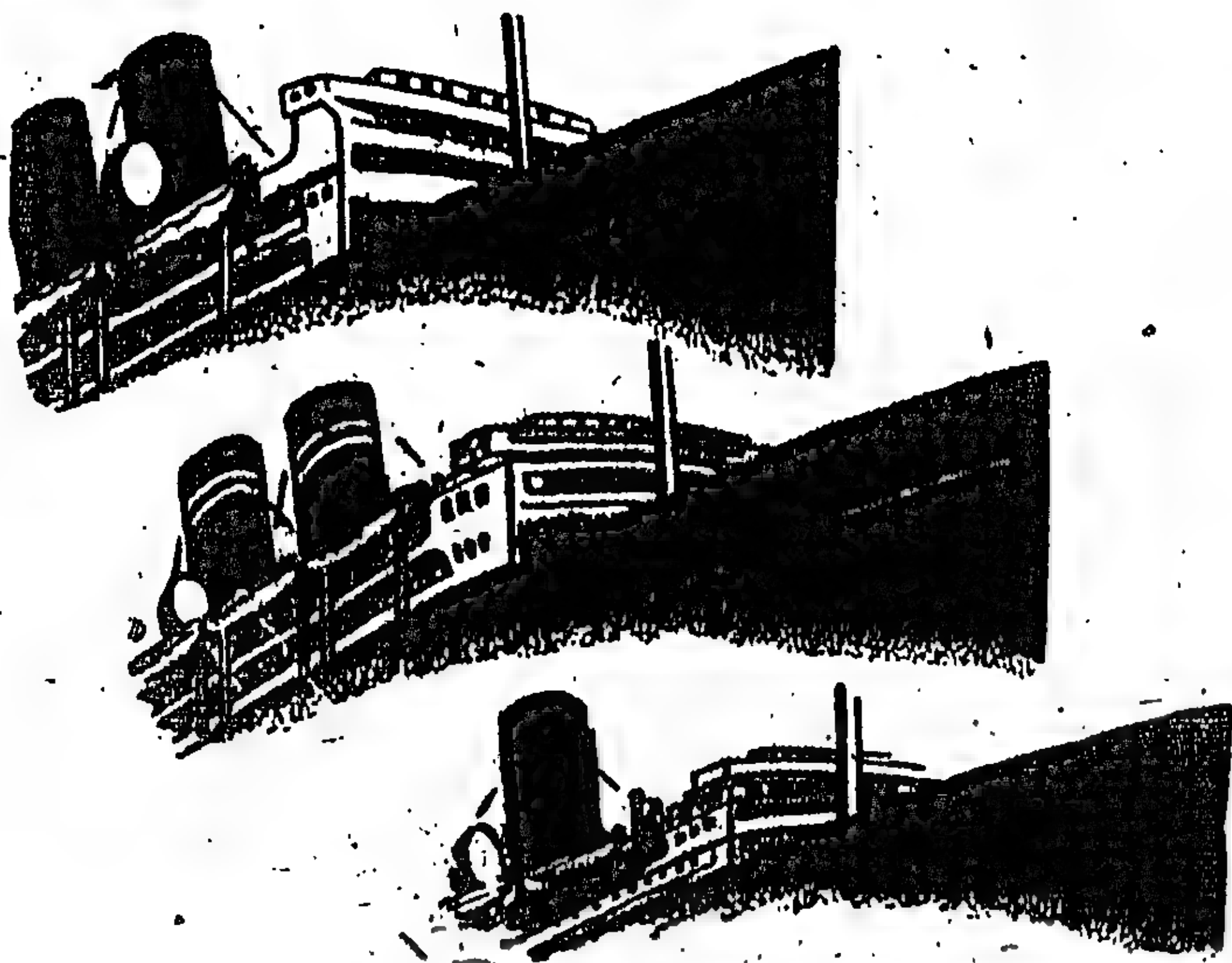
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Shanghai	Ruys	August 30.
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Saigon	Jean Laborde	August 30.
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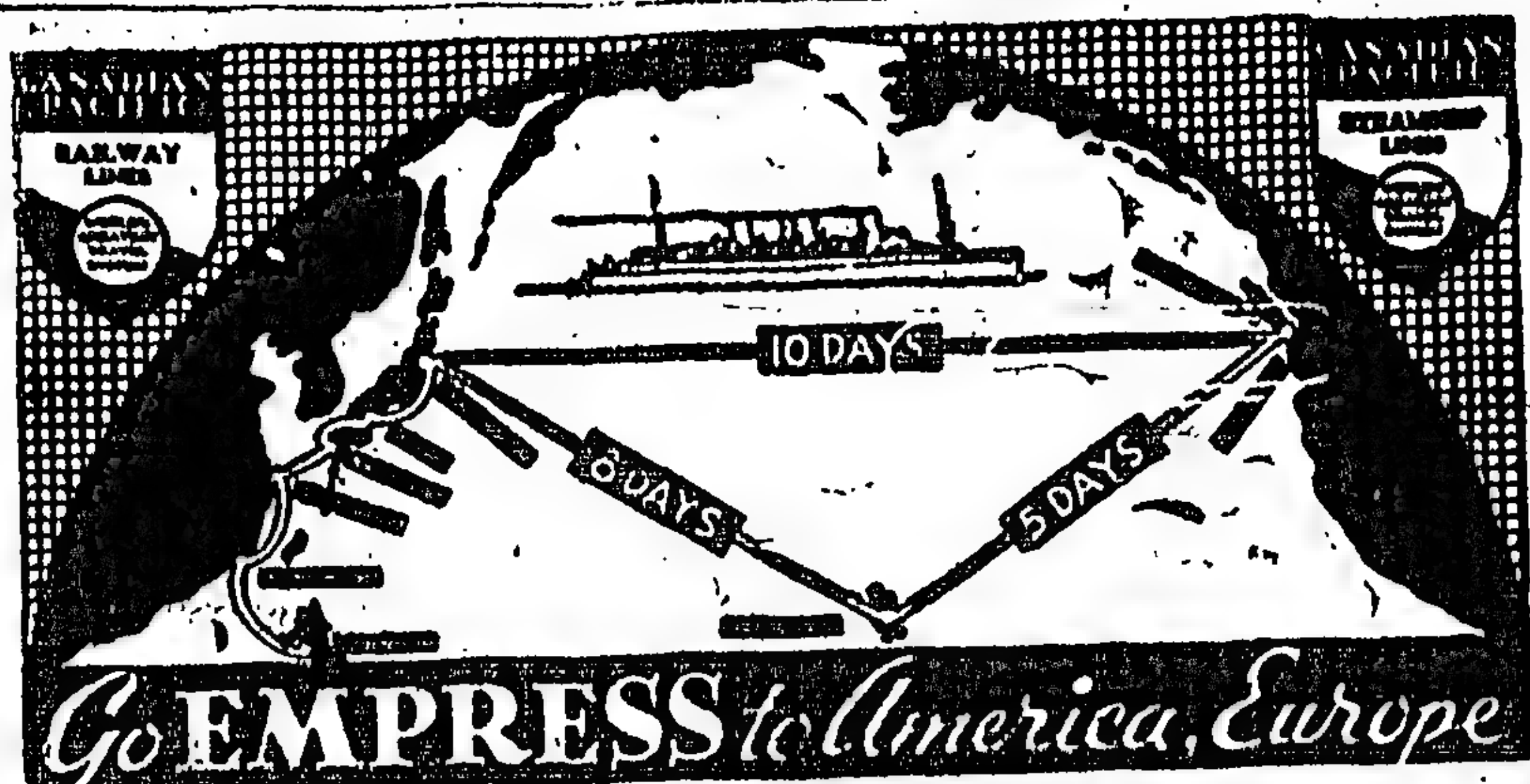
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The "Popolo di Roma" says that the German war apparatus is now ready to be put in motion. The Fuehrer of a nation of eighty millions had again spoken words of "true peace and justice" but it was doubtful if the Democracies could understand such language.

Herr Hitler's decisions depend exclusively on the attitude of Britain, who thereby, assumes tremendous responsibility before history for peace or war.

"Messaggero" expresses surprise that M. Daladier should have waited till the last minute before suggesting a compromise and that the appeal to Signor Mussolini has been delayed till the last minute.

The Duce will certainly do his utmost in this hour of danger to bring about "peace based on justice," but the responsibility lies solely with Britain and France.

The population of Rome, and throughout Italy, remains outwardly calm, but the extreme gravity of the situation is everywhere fully recognised.

King Victor Emanuel has returned to the Quirinal Palace from his summer residence in Piedmont.—Trans-Ocean.

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Istanbul, To-day.

Trains are sold out for the next few days as the British and French colonies make arrangements to return home.

The French Consul has advised French Nationals to leave Turkey and the Britons have received similar instructions.

The German colony is awaiting developments.—Trans-Ocean.



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WAS LOUIS PHILIPPE REALLY CHIAPPINI?

By AUGUSTUS ST. MARS

To save his neck during the Reign of Terror, Louis, Duke of Orleans—great-grandson of King Louis XIII.—carried water on both shoulders.

Affecting sympathy with the people's cause, he renounced his titles, assumed the name of "Philippe Egalite" (Equality) and voted for the death of the unhappy Louis XVI., his cousin.

But all of this while he was paving his way to escape the guillotine and, after the revolution should blow over, secure succession to the throne to his own blood. He had taken as wife a royal princess, a kinswoman of his cousin the King, and his ambitions to have a son caused him great anxiety, for, according to the French law, no woman could succeed to the throne. So "Philippe Equality" became the object of warm congratulation when it was announced that his first born was a boy, especially inasmuch as Louis XVI was at that time childless.

This lad in whom the cidevant Duc d'Orleans centered all his hopes was named Louis Philippe. But Philippe Egalite's schemes did not save his own villainous head. After the accession of the Jacobins to power in the Convention and within less than a year after the execution of his cousin, Louis XVI., he was carried to the dreadful guillotine. A year and a half later the little Dauphin of France disappeared. Then the young Louis Philippe became involved in a conspiracy against the republic and was banished from France. His estate having been confiscated, he now found himself penniless and alone.

After teaching school for a season in Switzerland, he travelled incognito through northern Europe and, declaring himself a Danish subject, took passage on board a ship bound for America. Landing in Philadelphia, he was met by his two exiled brothers, and the three princes travelled through New England, explored the Great Lakes, toured the valley of the Mississippi, saw the future site of the national capital and visited General Washington at Mount Vernon. Not until after he had been an exile from his beloved France for more than 20 years did there come the final overthrow of Napoleon and the restoration of the Bourbon dynasty under Louis XVIII.

Louis Philippe was now allowed to return home, but his travels in the Land of the Free had intensified those liberal and democratic ideals which—unlike "Philippe Egalite"—he cherished with honesty and sincerity. His espousal of these principles soon offended Louis XVIII. But that monarch's rule was shortly to end and next came the succession of Charles X., whose policies, dictated by the Church, precipitated the three-days' revolution of 1830 and lost him the throne. "Philippe Egalite's" most cherished wish was now to be granted: The crown was given to Louis Philippe as the result of an election by the deputies and peers swayed by the strong influence of Lafayette.

Because his espousal of the plain people the new monarch was hailed as "The Citizen King," and he added to his popularity by calling himself "King of the French" rather than "King of France. But like all popular idols, his days of influence were numbered. The populace grew weary of him. After he had reigned for 18 years another revolution broke forth and his throne was overturned. Disguising himself as a scullion, he crept down the servants' stairway of the palace and, taking his queen with him, escaped to England, where he died two years later.

Although official history states that King Louis Philippe was the son of "Philippe Egalite," there were persistent traditions that he was of very humble birth. So far as "Philippe Egalite" himself was concerned, his private life had been quite as treacherous as was his public career. His whole married life was a succession of intrigues, and several noted personages whose escheons bore the bar sinister traced their ancestry to him.

By his children's governess, the noted Madame de Genlis, he is sup-



The Citizen King.

posed to have been the father of Madame Cappellet, whose daughter, Marie Lafarge, played the stellar role in the most sensational of French murder mysteries; also of that mysterious creature of loveliness, the beloved "Pamela" who married the Irish martyr, Lord Edward Fitzgerald. Indeed, "Philippe Egalite" knew no scruple that would thwart expediency.

Therefore, Dame Gossip found ready listeners when she whispered about the chancelleries of Europe that old Philippe's ambitions had been thwarted by the stork and that a girl, born to him and his wife at the time when a son was devoutly desired, had been smuggled away and a boy substituted in her place. According to the story, this infant daughter, cheated out of her rightful place as a princess of the

realm, was allowed to follow the career of a ballet dancer, although later partly compensated by marriage to a wealthy nobleman.

King Louis Philippe, according to this story, was in reality an Italian peasant child, one Chiappini, the son of a jailer who was paid well for having his baby boy placed in line for accession of the throne of France. The Citizen King's democratic ways and sincere espousal of the people's cause were supposed to have resulted from this plebeian blood.

Whether the story was true or not, old Czar Nicholas placed his stamp of approval upon it, for once, and in a moment of wrath, he exclaimed sneeringly of King Louis Philippe: "He is a common jailer's son!"

MARKET ATTITUDE CALM

London, To-day.

A calm attitude characterised most markets yesterday, with business restricted by the imposition of various emergency embargoes.

Foreign exchanges, however, were fairly active, with further wild fluctuations in the Sterling-Dollar rate.

After opening at 4.38 the rate fell to 4.10 before rallying to 4.28. This appreciation of the American dollar resulted in a new high record price for gold of 161/- per fine ounce. Silver declined 15/16 to 19-1/8d on Indian sales finding an unreceptive market.

Among the commodities, wheat and base metals were firm.

TREASURY BAN

On the Stock Exchange, gold mining shares and oils were marked up, reflecting the higher gold price and the strength of the U.S. dollar, respectively.

There were no official dealings in international issues owing to the Treasury's ban on dealings in certain overseas securities.—Reuter.

A.R.P. CLASSES

Mr. S. V. Boxer's A.R.P. Class which commenced at No. 20 Ice House Street on Friday last, August 25, will in future be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall.

It is further notified that with a view to accelerating the training lectures they will in future be given three times a week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 5.30 p.m. but for special reasons the next lecture to-day, will be at 6 p.m. instead of 5.30 p.m.

Students are asked to kindly note these changes.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-13/16.

Spot silver was quoted in London at 19-1/8 and forward at 18-13/16.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.27.00, and New York on London rate at £—U.S.\$4.29.

WRONG PAPERS WERE SENT

London, To-day.

There are some angry men in one searchlight company.

At the company's Headquarters they have two sets of "calling up" papers. One is for use in the case of hostilities, and the other for calling the men up for camp.

A number of the men were sent the hostility calling up papers when they were meant to receive notices calling them to camp.

Imagining that war was imminent, they rushed to their stations in full fighting kit, to find that there had been a mistake.—Our Own Correspondent.

CANADA TAKES OVER SHIPPING

Ottawa, To-day.

It is officially announced that the Canadian Government has assumed control of shipping.

A naval control service has also been instituted.—Reuter.

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LAWN BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP.

U.M. Omar Wins To Equal Local Lawn Bowls Record.

Dallah And Perkins In Keen Game.

NOVEL GOLF INSTRUCTION



Lillywhites' Golf School at Knightsbridge have installed the Grooved Swinger, which, by mirrors, shows the pupil where the action is at fault when driving.

LOCAL BASEBALL

WEAK BRITISH NINE DEFEATS PORTUGAL

(By "GRANDSTAND")

TO THE SURPRISE OF fans and players alike, a well-organized Portuguese team was eliminated by Great Britain, 16-3, in the opening game of the International series for the Mamak Shield last Saturday afternoon.

"Spotty" Pereira had a bad day on the hillock for Portugal and he allowed twelve well-placed hits and three walks.

Eight errors by the Portuguese lads were instrumental in giving the Britishers a two figure win.

Power-house Dave Leonard on the slab for Great Britain held the Portuguese sluggers to only four hits and three passes to first base.

Great Britain who batted first were blanked in the first inning, but Portugal, at their turn to bat, garnered three runs which turned to be their only tallies during the encounter.

In this frame George Souza led off to roll an easy grounder to Izatt at second base for the first out. Caco Marques followed with a vicious three bagger. Johnny Alvares then singled to bring in Marques. Al Alvares binged to centre field but Johnny Alvares was forced at second for the second out. Mendonca was walked, and Henry Barros reached first on a wild throw by T. Leonard to score Al Alvares and Mendonca, and Charlie Figueredo fanned the breeze to retire the inning.

In the second inning Great Britain replied with two counts when Stanley Leonard reached first on a bobble and Joe Bowen brought him in with a four ply clout which cleared the right field bank.

Great Britain tallied five more runs in the third, three in the fifth and a six run rally in the last frame.

After their three run rally in the initial frame the Portuguese could not get their spark-plugs to spark again.

In the opener of a double bill Sunday morning, fans at Caroline Hill were treated to the best game of the season when the United States nar-

rowly defeated China, by 3 runs to 1, in the second game of the Mamak International series.

Miles and Costello of the U.S.S. Tulsa team, formed the battery for the Yankees while youthful Earl Wong and Nip Lum furnished the battery for China.

The game proved to be a pitchers' contest, both hurlers allowing but four hits each.

CHINA'S COSTLY ERROR

The three American runs all come in the second canto. With two away Bill Clague hit a grounder to second baseman Bill Hong Sling who fielded the ball and made a perfect throw to first, but first sacker Chaney Chan fumbled the ball, for Clague to be safe at first and Vilkepler crossed the plate for the first U.S. tally.

Wilson clouted a timely three-bagger to score Miles and Clague. "Poochie" Chase retired the inning and ended the American scoring by flying out to Hong Sling.

The Yankees attempted another rally in the fourth but their efforts were short lived when Douglas and Vetkepler were neatly put out in a double play while running bases, and Miles struck out.

China's lone tally dented the plate in the fourth inning. With two outs and bases filled, twirler Miles baulked to score Chaney Chan. Tommy Chan struck out to retire the inning, leaving two teammates stranded on bases to the disappointment of a large crowd of Chinese supporters.

In the last frame China tried hard to score but to no avail. George Wu fled to left field, T. Chan binged, followed with another bingle by Choy. A. Li grounded to force T. Chan at

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Remedios & B. Basto In Semi-Final Round

THOUGH THE Quarter Final games of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship were not as closely contested as anticipated, there were, nevertheless, two games which were well worth watching.

At Club de Recreio, U. M. Omar equalled J. C. Brown's record of last year when he defeated H. White by 21-1 after 12 heads during which only four singles were scored.

M. R. Abbas went down to C. F. Remedios after a good fight, a four on the 15th head marking the turning point of the game.

The second Indian Recreation Club player to exit was A. R. Minu, who put up a surprisingly poor fight against Basto, to lose by 21-8 and scoring on only five of the 17 heads.

DALLAH'S STRONG FINISH

Running neck to neck for the greater distance of the game A. R. Dallah entered the Semi-Final Round when he beat G. Perkins 21-15 on the 23rd head.

Though Perkins fell off somewhat in the closing stages, of the game, good bowls was nevertheless witnessed in this encounter and up to the 14th head always held a slight advantage over his Sookunpoo opponent.

Both players played good bowls and with the exception of one or two heads, the players were forced to give their best to get the shot.

There was a total absence of driving and both players had to continually draw for the shot. There were also very few lucky wicks.

In the closing stages of the game, Dallah displayed good form and was never far wrong with his weight or green, while Perkins appeared to have lost his touch.

LONG AND SHORT HEADS

Dallah favoured the long heads while Perkins resorted to medium or shot ones when ever he had a chance, but this was no advantage to either, as both players adapted themselves admirably to either short or long heads.

Perkins opened the scoring with a brace to which Dallah replied with a single and at the seventh head was leading by 6 shots to 4, but Perkins scored on the three on the next two heads to take the lead at 7-6.

The next eight heads - were very evenly contested. There was never much difference in the shots and both sides scored a two to bring the total 11-10 in favour of Perkins.

FOUR FOR DALLAH

Dallah then scored a four in one of the worst heads of the afternoon. Perkins was heavy with two of his woods and narrow with another while Dallah lying three had no difficulty in obtaining another shot.

A hard-earned two in the next head enabled Perkins to keep on Dallah's heels but the latter scored two twos in the next three heads to which Perkins replied with a single.

With the end in sight Perkins played well to get the shot at the 22nd head but Dallah who was lying a shot on the last head drew a good second shot to win a hard game.

Head	A. R. Dallah	G. Perkins
1	0	0
2	0	1
3	0	1
4	2	3
5	0	3
6	1	4
7	2	6
8	0	6
9	0	6
10	1	7
11	0	7
12	0	7
13	1	8

14	2	10	0	9
15	0	10	2	11
16	4	14	0	11
17	0	14	2	13
18	2	16	0	13
19	0	16	1	14
20	2	18	0	14
21	1	19	0	14
22	0	19	1	15
23	2	21	0	15

B. BASTO WINS EASILY

On the adjourning green, A. R. Minu disappointed when he offered little opposition to B. Basto to lose by 21-8 after 17 heads.

Basto started in great style and before Minu realised had scored nine points before the Indian Recreation Club player retaliated with a two.

At the 12th end Basto was leading 12-5 but a four on the next blasted all Minu's hopes when he followed this up with a two.

Minu replied with a three and this was the last of his scoring, Basto obtaining the required three with singles in the next three heads.

Head	B. Basto	A. R. Minu
1	0	0
2	2	0
3	3	0
4	3	0
5	0	2
6	0	1
7	2	0
8	1	0
9	0	1
10	0	1
11	1	0
12	4	0
13	2	0
14	0	3
15	1	0
16	1	0
17	1	0

H. WHITE DEFEATED

Three threes and four twos enabled U. M. Omar to beat H. White of whom much was expected by the record score of 21 shots to 1 after 12th heads.

Omar was in devastating form drawing with uncanny accuracy and placing his woods almost at will

Head	U. M. Omar	H. White
1	1	0
2	2	0
3	3	0
4	2	0
5	2	0
6	0	1
7	2	0
8	1	0
9	1	0
10	1	0
11	3	0
12	3	0

ABBAS LOSES

M. R. Abbas the surprise packet of the competition, was eliminated by C. F. Remedios, an ex-Shanghai Champion by 22-14 but not after a great struggle for the first 21 heads.

Abbas was not able to maintain the early promise for at the sixth head was leading Remedios 8-1, during which he had scored a two and a three.

Remedios then recovered and added six shots to his score in the next four heads to be led by 7-8.

A disastrous four on the 15th head by Remedios wiped out his deficit and enabled him to take the lead for the first time at 10-13. Abbas plod-

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GORDON RICHARDS RIDES THREE WINNERS

London, August 5.

GORDON RICHARDS delighted his many followers among holiday racegoers by winning three races at Lewes yesterday. They were Marlene gelding (8 to 1), Grecian Urn (9 to 2), and Taran (7 to 4).

These successes would recompense their backers for the unfavourable weather conditions. A thunderstorm broke over the course shortly after one o'clock, and was accompanied by heavy rain.

Grecian Urn won the De Warrenne Handicap. The filly appeared to have the luck on her side, as Ugola, which was beaten by only a neck, was badly drawn. Ugola had to be taken over to the centre of the course soon after the start, and made up considerable ground in the last furlong. Ugola would probably have reversed the placings with Grecian Urn had there been a little further to go.

Gordon Richards and B. Carslake, who rode Grecian Urn and Ugola respectively, were both seen to fine advantage, and the finish gave the crowd plenty of thrills. Snow White secured third place on merit, as she was one of the leaders all the way. Beersheba started favourite, only to disappoint once more. She was in close touch with the leaders early on, without being able to produce the necessary finishing speed.

Diplome d'Honneur proved a runaway winner of the Members' Cup. He was bought cheaply in France, and this was his first victory. Mr. A. Parker made his effort on Diplome d'Honneur soon after the field had turned into the straight. The six-year-old quickly began to forge ahead, and won with his ears pricked.

The runners crawled along at half speed for the first mile, and this suited Diplome d'Honneur, which pro-

duced a good turn of finishing speed. Lobau, which won the corresponding event last year, now found his 13 stone too much. The two other runners, Prince Charlie III and Larigot, did not show much winning chances.

NO SURPRISE

Hyphon's success in the Astley Plate came as no surprise to those who watched market movements carefully. Layers were at first disinclined to offer more than 3 to 1 against her, but she drifted out to double that rate. A lot of money came for her just before the "off," with the result that she wound up a firm second favourite at 11 to 4 against.

Hyphon won in the style of a smart juvenile. Lady Madcap f and Hyphon were racing head and head at about half-way. Cliff Richards had something in reserve on Hyphon, which

"ARMY SPORTLIGHT" SUSPENDED

Owing to the present unsettled conditions, our popular Army feature "Army Spotlight" by "Squaddy" has been suspended until further notice.

finished strongly and proved a comfortable winner.

Westonbirt secured third place at the expense of Simple Maiden. Gallant Greek whipped round at the start and was left. He cantered in behind the others.

Mr. G. W. Roll, who recently announced his intention of selling his horses, won the Nevill Plate with Taran. The three runners provided a good race throughout the last furlong. They were practically level at the distance, and only the boldest of backers would have wanted to bet in running.

Gordon Richards rode a strong finish on Taran, which had a little too much speed for S'il Vous Plait in the last couple of hundred yards. Although he finished last of the three runners, Highlander was not disgraced. He is nine years old, but retains all his liking for racing.

CRICKET

YORKSHIRE WIN COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

London, To-day. — Yorkshire in a match which concluded yesterday, beat Hampshire by an innings and 11 runs and thus won the County Cricket Championship for the third year in succession.

Yorkshire have only one more match to play—against Sussex at Hove. This they can afford to lose and still finish up higher than Middlesex, who, with three further successes including one in the match in progress, cannot finish with a better average than 8.72.

If the Tykes lose their last match, their average will be 8.74.

Hampshire were only able to total 116 in each innings, Verity taking 6 for 22 in the second. Yorkshire's 243 (Dean 5 for 58) proved sufficient to give them an innings victory.

Scores in brief:—

Hampshire—116 (Verity 6 for 22) and 116.

Yorkshire—243 (Deane 5 for 58).—
Reuter.

LOCAL BASEBALL

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the hot corner. Nip Lum fled to left field to end an exciting and interesting tussle.

"Horseface" Douglas pulled a neat double killing when he caught Nip Lum's fly then slid to touch the initial sack before Choy could get back to the cushion.

CLUB'S HOLLOW VICTORY

With the aid of five players from the U. S. S. Tulsa, Hong Kong Baseball Club finally won their first and only game this season by nosing Mindanao 5-4.

The game went an extra inning before the issue was decided. Hoffman, of the Tulsa, pitching for the Molthenmen and Mockevicius for Mindanao had old fashioned duel on the mound with Hoffman, the victor. Both pitchers fanned six and walked three, but Tony Mockevicius yielded 10 hits to Hoffman's 8.

The Hongkongites were one run behind at the end of the sixth. Mindanao tallied one more in the seventh, but Hongkong Baseball Club in their turn to bat evened the count 4-4 when Roger and Bellamy romped home on three hits.

Mindanao were blanked in the extra inning. The winning run was scored by Leming on two hits and an error. Mindanao miscued three times to the club's five.

Batting honours went to Douglas and Hoffman who connected for one three bagger apiece.

On Saturday next America will cross bats with Great Britain in the Final of the International series.

INDOOR BOWLS CHALLENGE

The U.S.S. Tulsa and the Champs will meet for a third time at the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys in a match of 10 pins, on Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. In their first meeting the Tulsa won by 17, but on the second occasion the Champs won by 24. Women will be admitted to the match.

In a Hong Kong Water-Polo League encounter at North Point last night, Chinese Bathing Club was defeated by Chung Sing 4-3, after a close game.

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GOLF

SCOTS' BOY CHAMPION BEATEN

London, August 11.—John Scott, Airdrie, won the Nairn Open Golf Tournament yesterday, defeating K. T. Thomson, Dunwhinny, in the final by 2 and 1.

In the semi-final Scott beat K. W. Walker, Inverness, the Scottish Boy Champion, by one hole, and Thomson beat A. Gordon Dewar, Carnoustie, by 2 and 1.

In the final the players were handicapped by a strong wind, and par figures were difficult to get. The first three holes were halved in 5 5 4, and Scott took the lead at the fourth with a 3, Thomson missing a foot putt. Thomson squared at the next with a 4, but Scott again went ahead at the sixth, where Thomson was short with his approach.

Both were in trouble at the seventh, which was halved in 6, and Scott turned 1 up by halving the eighth and ninth in 4s. Scott was in three bunkers at the tenth, and lost a hole, but he soon regained his lead, winning the eleventh in 3, and, after four halves in 4 5 3 4, Scott became dormie 2 with a 4 at the sixteenth, and halved the next hole in 5 for the match.

BUDGE AND VINES WIN IN GLASGOW

GLASGOW, AUGUST 16. — The first of the two days professional tennis exhibition matches in which W. T. Tilden, D. Budge, Ellsworth Vines, and Lester Stoefer are taking part were played last night at the White City, Ibrox, Glasgow.

The programme consisted of two singles matches and a doubles, but the attendance was very disappointing, only about 1200 spectators being present.

Tilden and Vines faced each other in the first singles match, and it proved the best of the evening. In the first set both excelled with base-line

driving, but Tilden principally through his accurate back-hand returns ran up a lead of 4-1. Vines then began to get his service working and took the set at 8-6.

In the second set Tilden again got an early lead, but failed to last the pace, and Vines, after drawing level at 3-all, only dropped one more game before taking the second set at 6-4.

In the other singles match Donald Budge did not require to produce his best to beat Stoefer. Stoefer had a terrific service, but otherwise his play was very loose, and it was principally on his errors that Budge won easily. In the fourth game of the second set Stoefer ached Budge four times to win the game to love.

In the doubles Budge and Stoefer defeated Tilden and Vines in two sets. It was a keenly contested match with Stoefer excelling at the net. Yesterday's results:—

Ellsworth Vines beat W. T. Tilden, 8-6, 6-4.
Donald Budge beat Lester Stoefer, 6-3, 6-3.
Budge and Stoefer beat Tilden and Vines, 6-3, 6-4.

HARD-FOUGHT SEMI-FINAL

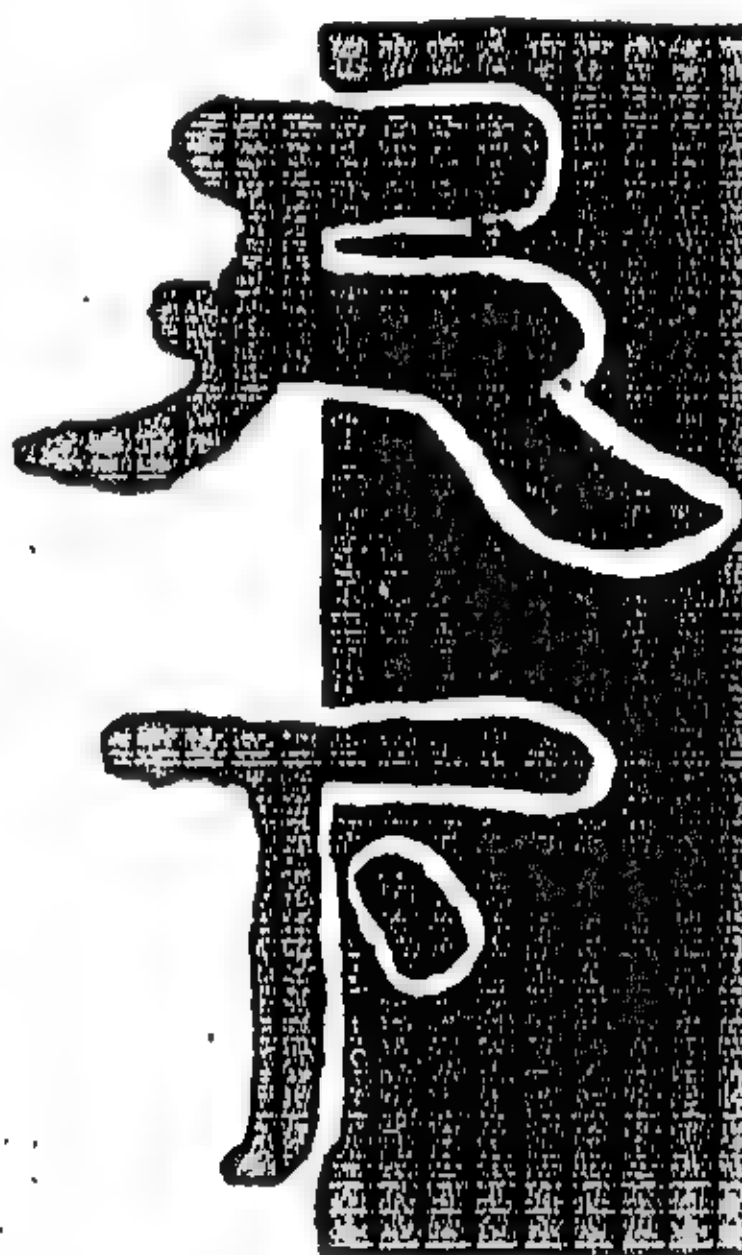
Scott had a hard fight before defeating Walker in the morning. After losing the third and fourth holes, Walker won the sixth, seventh, and eighth to be 1 up, but Scott squared at the ninth and took the lead at the tenth. Walker again squared at the twelfth, and the game was still level at the seventeenth. Walker lost his chance by driving into the rough at the last hole, which he lost in 4 to 5.

In the other match Thomson was out in 35 and 5 up on Dewar, who made a fight of it coming back. He won the tenth, the fourteenth, and the sixteenth, but could only halve the next, to lose 2 and 1.

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SPORTS PARADE

HINTS to ambitious games players are always passed on with pleasure. It is recorded that Arthur Wood, Yorkshire wicket-keeper, collects photographs of famous batsmen making their strokes, of which he has a wonderful file. By studying these pictures he gets some ideas of the batsman's weaknesses, and when he stands behind them he often turns this knowledge to their disadvantage.

FRED HENNEBERRY, Australia's brilliant middleweight, opened his campaign in England in sensational fashion by stopping George Davis, middleweight champion of the Southern Area, in the third round.

Henneberry, fighting strongly and fiercely, attacked from the opening bell, took complete control of the fight in round two, and floored Davis four times in round three for counts of nine, eight, eight, and nine.

Urged by the crowd, who repeatedly called "Stop it," the referee crowned Henneberry.

SYDNEY professional golfer, Norman von Nida, returned to Australia recently by the Mariposa from the United States, when he told interviewers that:—

He had not gone on to England to play in the British Open because he thought that it would have been a waste of time and money, and that, anyhow, he was homesick.

That he would probably visit the States again, but on the next occasion he would take his wife along, too.

That he finished 35th in the United States Open with a score of 306, as against the winner's 284.

That when he played behind Guldahl thousands of onlookers followed the American, with the result that he (von Nida) often had to wait a quarter of an hour between shots.

That Jim Ferrier, Australian Open and Amateur champion, would hold his own with the best American players.

That the leading Australian courses are a stroke harder than those he saw in the States.

That he is a stroke a round better player as the result of his trip.

That he has secured a new type of putter which he hopes will solve all his green troubles.

That Australians have no conception of the esteem in which Joe Kirkwood is held by Americans; everywhere he is regarded as a great sportsman, and that he personally was indebted to him for all that he had done for him.

That he had nothing but praise for American players and officials, who did everything possible to make a visitor feel at ease.

That having closely studied the stroke-making methods of the best American players, he was satisfied that his own game was on a sound basis.

AN unusual state of affairs existed in the English county cricket world recently—Middlesex were playing Northamptonshire at The Oval.

Owing to the fact that the Eton-Harrow match was arranged for Lord's on July 14 and 15, Middlesex were unable to get in the start of their match with Northamptonshire to-day on their own ground, so they came to an arrangement with Surrey, who happen to be playing away from home.

There is an amusing sidelight to the situation, as the rivalry between Lord's and The Oval is deadly. It does not necessarily extend to the executives, but it is strongly in evidence among the supporters of the two grounds.

There are many Lord's adherents who would not think of "lowering" themselves to cross the Thames to grace The Oval with their presence. On the other hand, hardy Ovalites absolutely refuse to go to Lord's, which they regard as the headquarters of the old school tie and snobbery. Even Test matches with Australia do not persuade the two "schools" to come down off their respective pedestals.

HOME CRICKET JOTTINGS

London, August 13.
YORKSHIRE cricketers will soon begin to believe in a kind of magic Worcestershire spell. At Stourbridge, recently, Worcestershire beat the champions by 16 runs and yesterday a crowd of over 5,000 people saw Yorkshire lose six wickets for 96 runs before lunch-time.

Worcestershire struck their redoubtable rivals a blow with the first ball of the match. The pitch was soft, a ball from Perks lifted a little and Mitchell, caught unaware, mistimed his stroke. Gibbons, at forward short leg, held a brilliant left-handed catch.

Hutton and Barber, with typical Yorkshire grit, settled down to retrieve the position and carried the score to 47. It was strange to see the Yorkshiremen struggling for runs, and once the effects of the roller had worn off the champions had a bad time. In just over half an hour five wickets fell.

BARBER, in top form just now, appeared quite at ease, cutting and hooking grandly, but Hutton was always in trouble on a difficult pitch. Hutton, second to leave, was late with a defensive stroke, and with 3 runs added both Barber and Barnes were back in the pavilion.

Barber batted courageously for an hour and hit six 4's, but the rest of the batsmen could make little or nothing of Perks, who at one point claimed three wickets in ten overs for 15 runs.

Watson, the nineteen-year-old left-hander, who is Yorkshire's latest recruit, again showed the right temperament for a crisis and he played his part well for half-an-hour. Then he was out to a great catch by Singleton at fine leg.

Yardley tried unsuccessfully to hit the cover off the ball, but Sellers and Wood came to the rescue with a seventh-wicket stand which realised 32 before lunch, at which point Worcestershire had every reason for self-congratulation.

THE Yorkshire tail, however, wagged merrily and the crowd saw some exhilarating cricket after lunch when, in fifty minutes, the last four wickets put on 75 valuable runs.

In all the seventh wicket partnership added 64 before Wood, who on-drove Perks for 6, was beaten, and there followed some fierce hitting by Robinson. In less than half an hour Robinson scored 36 out of 42 and he used the long handle so effectively that he hit three 6's—all straight drives—and three 4's.

Sellers, batting stylishly and showing commendable skill in selecting the right ball to hit, defied Worcestershire for an hour and a quarter. The innings ended for a total of 171, Yorkshire having made a brilliant recovery.

Perks did extremely well in securing half the wickets for 65 runs. Yorkshire dismissed Worcester twice for low scores and so avenged their earlier defeat.

THE weather ruined Ladies' Day at Canterbury, but 3000 enthusiasts who braved the blustering wind-driven showers saw Jim Smith complete his first century for Middlesex against Kent. Middlesex totalled 358, and Kent lost six wickets in making 108 runs.

Smith reached three figures in seventy-nine minutes, and made 101 out of 121, while of 116 put on for the last wicket he claimed 98. He never resorted to wild indiscriminate slogging, yet four times he drove the ball over the ring, twice clearing the tents, and altogether he hit seven 6s and five 4s.

AN hour and three-quarters elapsed before Kent could start batting, and Chalk was taken at slip off the seventh ball bowled, with a single scored. Allen mixed his pace considerably, and from another very fast delivery Ames was brilliantly caught at slip, Edrich holding the ball low and wide to his right with both hands.

Fagg batted well for eighty minutes, and lost his wicket through Valentine delaying to call for a single, when the ball went slowly to Smith at mid-off. Todd and Foster were out to consecutive balls, and Kent finished 250 behind.

In his second spell Allen took three wickets in 23 balls for 57 runs, and altogether five for 33.

WARWICKSHIRE began by losing Croom when they had only 3 runs on the board at Northampton.

R. Sale followed him to the pavilion with the board registering only 30, but a third-wicket stand by Hill and R. E. S. Wyatt improved the Warwickshire outlook.

The pitch was soft and Merritt, Robinson, and Nelson, of Northamptonshire, began the day with some very good bowling. Croom fell to a catch at the wicket by James off Robinson in the second over, and R. Sale mistimed one of Merritt's spinners and was brilliantly caught low down at cover by Dixon.

These reverses made Hill very cautious. He spent fifty minutes over double figures, but he was playing, the right game for his side. After he had worn some of the sting out of the bowling he scored more freely.

R. E. S. Wyatt drove and cut finely, being very partial to Merritt.

Hill reached his 50 in two hours and a half. Wyatt, who began brightly, became very quiet, scoring only a single in 35 minutes. He achieved his half-century in two hours and a quarter.

Wyatt was dropped at slip when he had scored 53, and Hill was missed at short-leg when 65.

The Northamptonshire captain tried six bowlers in an effort to break up the stubborn Hill-Wyatt stand, and only Nelson could make much impression. In his third spell, before giving way to Merritt, the amateur sent down twelve overs, eight of them maidens, and had no more than 9 runs hit off him.

ANOTHER great bowling performance by Nichols was chiefly instrumental in the rout of Derbyshire at Southend. The visitors were all out before lunch for a beggarly 70 runs.

By taking 6 wickets for 18 runs, Nichols, who seems to improve as he nears the end of his career, made himself first favourite for the "double". He needs nine wickets for his 100 and has already passed his 1,000 runs. (He was the first to secure the "double"—Ed.).

Nichols, who bowled unchanged throughout the innings, which lasted two hours, made the ball swing both ways, and kept such an accurate length that only one batsman shaped against him with any degree of confidence. This was A. Townsend, who batted soundly for an hour and forty minutes for 30 runs.

FOR Essex, Avery defended well, and he found a useful partner in Peter Smith. Avery refused to take the slightest chance, and when he had been at the wickets an hour his score was only 17.

He played a splendid game for the side, and, with Peter Smith, took Essex in front.

Peter Smith drove well and also showed a straight bat in defence, so that at the tea interval the home side

MUCH-POSTPONED TENNIS MATCH FIXED FOR TO-DAY

Weather permitting the much-postponed "B" Division League tennis match between K.C.C. "A" and South China will be played this afternoon at Cox's Road.

Following are the teams:

K.C.C. "A"—F. Grose and A. V. White; D. J. N. Anderson and N. A. E. Mackay; B. Soltan and W. M. Gittins.

SOUTH CHINA—W. T. Lee and C. S. Dew; F. N. Wong and H. K. Ho; N. K. Ma and W. H. Ho.

LAWN BOWLS

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ded along and at the 20th head was being led by 16-14.

Remedios scored a single in the next and dashed all Abbas' hopes when he obtained a three on the next head. On the 23rd head Remedios obtained a two.

Head	C. F. Remedios	Shots	A. Abbas	Shots
1	0	0	2	2
2	0	0	1	3
3	1	1	0	3
4	0	1	3	6
5	0	1	1	7
6	0	1	1	8
7	2	3	0	8
8	1	4	0	8
9	1	5	0	8
10	2	7	0	8
11	0	7	1	9
12	1	8	0	9
13	0	8	1	10
14	1	9	0	10
15	4	13	0	10
16	0	13	1	11
17	1	14	0	11
18	2	16	0	11
19	0	16	1	12
20	0	16	2	14
21	1	17	0	14
22	3	20	0	14
23	2	32	0	14

Semi-Final Round Drawn

The two Semi-Final Round matches in the Colony Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship will be held on the Kowloon Football Club's green on Thursday, commencing at 5 p.m. The

were thirteen runs in front with six men to be dismissed. Avery was not out 84, having carried his bat when the last Essex wicket fell at 180. He hit only one boundary in an invaluable innings which included a 5th wicket stand of 80 with Peter Smith (36).

SOCCER

SOUTH CHINA'S IMPRESSIVE TOUR RECORD

The following are the results of matches played to date by the South China touring team:—

beat Hanoi Champions	6-0
beat Hanoi Selection	6-0
drew with Halphong	2-2
beat Saigon (B)	3-2
lost to Saigon (A)	3-5
beat Saigon Chinese	4-3
lost to Rangoon Selection	2-4
drew with All Burma	1-1
beat Rangoon Customs	3-2
beat Rangoon Chinese	4-0
beat Penang Chinese	3-1
beat Penang Selection	3-1
beat All Medan	6-0
drew with Medan Chinese	3-3
beat Medan Combination (Charity)	2-1
beat Medan Selection	3-0
drew with Medan Champions	2-2
beat Malaya	3-1
beat Ipoh Corinthians	3-0
beat Ipoh Selection	4-1
drew with Kuala Lumpur	0-0
beat Kuala Lumpur Combination	6-3
beat Singapore Chinese	1-0
beat Singapore Combined Services	3-2
beat Singapore Selection	5-2
lost to Hercules Selection	2-3
beat Batavia Champions	4-1
beat Batavia Combination	3-2
beat Cser Ibon	4-0
lost to Semarang Selection	2-3
beat Semarang Champions	3-1
beat Solo Selection	3-1
beat Malang Selection	4-3
drew with Soerabaya Chinese	2-2
beat Soerabaya Selection	5-0
Goal totals	113-52

The following are the goal scorers:—Chan Tak-fai (39), Fung King-cheong (28), Lai Shui-wing (20), Lee Wai-tong (7), Lau Tau-man (6), Yeung Shui-yick (8), Lau Chung-sang (2), Tang Kwong-sam (2). An opposing defender scored one.

South China Tour

Soerabaya, To-day.

The South China A.A. team on Sunday defeated the Soerabaya Selection by five clear goals. Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shui-wing (2) and Yeung Shui-yick (2) were the scorers.

On Saturday they drew with Soerabaya Chinese sharing four goals. Chan Tak-fai and Lai Shui-wing each scored one goal for the visitors. —Our Own Correspondent.

draw was as follows:

A. R. Dallah v. C. F. Remedios (Umpire V. Chittenden).

U. M. Omar v. B. Basto (Umpire R. P. Phillips).

In case of rain or the green being unfit for play, the matches will be held on Friday on the same green and time.



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12.30 p.m.—Tino Rossi (Tenor) and the Orchestra Mascotte.
Herrreinspieler!—Waltz (from 'Der Schatzmeister'—Liehrer); My Life Is filled with Love and Longing—Waltz (Jos. Strauss—arr. Hohné).... Orchestra Mascotte.
Volci Paris (film 'Lumieres de Paris').....Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Music Of The Spheres—Waltz (Josef Strauss—arr. Hohné); My Lucky Day—Waltz (Hans Carste)..... Orchestra Mascotte.
El Danzon (film 'Lumieres de Paris').....Aux Iles D'Amour (film 'Lumieres de Paris').....Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Golden Rain—Waltz (Waldteufel); Sweetest Of All—Waltz (Waldteufel).... Orchestra Mascotte.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Elsie and Doris Waters (Comedienne).
Gert and Daisy—Bert's Darts Club Dinner (E. & D. Waters).
Pals (E. & D. Waters).
London Pride (Thomson-Sterne)
1. Cockneys at Heart.
2. And Proud of it, too.
1.15 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—My Own (film 'That Certain Age'); Mine Alone (from 'Magyar Melody')....Carroll Gibbons & the Savoy Hotel Orpheans.
Bolero—Tendre Bolero....Lecuona Cuban Boys.
1.40 p.m.—Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. Speaker: Rotar-

lan Col. E. S. Doughty, D.S.O. Subject: "The Prairies of Canada".
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—A Programme of Old English Music.
A Trumpet Voluntary (for Brass and Organ) (Purcell).....Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Halle Orchestra. Solo Trumpet: Alex Harris. Organist: Harold Dawber.
Nocturne In A Flat Major, No. 3 (John Field: 1782-1837)....Frank Merrick (Piano).
Where The Bee Sucks (Shakespeare & Arne); Come Let Us Join The Roundelay (Wm. Beale); It Was A Lover And His Lass (Shakespeare & Morley)....The B.B.C. Wireless Singers cond. by Stanford Robinson. Unaccompanied.
Suite for Strings (Purcell, arr. Barbirolli).....Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by John Barbirolli.
6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.32 p.m.—Beethoven—Concerto No. 1 In C Major, Op. 15. Artur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.
7.10 p.m.—Ignaz Friedman at the Piano.
Mazurka, Op. 24, No. 4 (Chopin).
Mazurka, Op. 33, No. 4 (Chopin).
Mazurka, Op. 41, No. 1 (Chopin).
7.23 p.m.—Light Orchestral Programme with Derek Oldham (Tenor). That Matchless Pair of Eyes (Pete & Falussy); I'll Give You Away To God (Dr. Sander Jeno)....Hungarian Gypsy Band.
Regimental Song ('The White Eagle'—Friml); One Day (Hans May)....Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra.
"The Waltz Dream"—Selection (O. Strauss)....De Groot & The Piccadilly Orchestra.
Under The Lilac Bough ('Lilac Time'—Rose-Clutsam); You Will Remember Vienna (Hammerstein & Romberg)....Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra.
For You Only—Serenade (Boulanger); Let Us Dream—Serenade (Robrecht)....George Boulanger & His Orchestra.
Schubert Waltzes (Schubert).....Symphony Orchestra conducted by Walter Goehr.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
Silver Trumpets—Grand Processional March (Viviani—arr. F. Godfrey); The Mill In The Black Forest (Ellenberg); March Of The Mountain Gnomes (Ellenberg).
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Empire Mail Bag 1939 Edition. Some of your letters to Daventry and their answers to them.
8.45 p.m.—A Scottish Programme.
The Lea Rig (arr. Burnett); Willie's Game To Melville Castle (Stephen & Burnett)....Robert Burnett (Baritone) with Piano.
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Comin' Thro' The Rye (Traditional)....Dora Labbette (Soprano) with Piano.
Strathspeys (arr. Diack): (a) Money Musk; (b) Draes o' Tullimet; (c) Highland Whiskey.... Scottish Country Dance Orchestra cond. by J. Michael Diack.
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11 p.m.—Close down.

Highland Laddie (Carruthers).....New Mayfair Orchestra.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Food for Thought". Short talks on matters of topical interest.
9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.
9.50 p.m.—Variety with Sophie Tucker, The Mills Brothers, Mr. Flotsam & Mr. Jetsam and Others.
King Canute (Flotsam & Jetsam)....Mr. Flotsam & Mr. Jetsam with Piano.
The Desert Song (Romberg, transc. Lowry); The Student Prince—Serenade (Romberg, transc. Lowry)....Tony Lowry (Piano).
My Headache (Razaf, Johnson); Miss Otis Regrets (Cole Porter)....The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar).
Conversational Man (Lerner & Shapiro)....Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro & His Orchestra.
"The Great Ziegfeld"—Fox-Trot Medley....The Keyboarders (Two Pianos & Drums).
Is He The Boy Friend? (Yellen & Ager); Away Down South In Heaven (Green & Warren)....Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro & His Orchestra.
Star Dust (Carmichael & Others)....The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar).
Temptation Rag (Lodge); Whistling Rufus (Mills)....Raymonde & His Band O' Banjos.
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Strolling In The Park; Orient Nights....Billy Bartholomew & His Dance Orchestra.
Tangos—I Dream Of The Puszta; Do You See The Stars?....Emil Roos & His Orchestra.
Slow Fox-Trot—Summer's End; Waltz—Never Break A Promise....Mantovani & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—I Ups To Her and She Ups To Me; Day After Day....Barry Wood & His Music.
Waltzes—That Naughty Waltz (Levy); Missouri Waltz....Victor Young & His Orchestra.
11 p.m.—Close down.



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ODDS AGAINST GAME

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
♠ 8 7 3 2
♥ A J 10 4
♦ 6 5
♣ K 9 7
♠ K Q J 10
♥ 9 3
♦ K J 8 4
♣ 8 5 2
N
W
E
S
♠ A 4
♥ 8 6 5
♦ Q 10 7
♣ J 10 6
♠ 9 6 5
♥ K Q 7 2
♦ A 9
♣ A Q 4 3

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ 1♠ 2♥ Pass
Pass Pass

Arnold W. Zimmerman of St. Louis, Mo., sends us the above hand, concerning which he makes some interesting comments. "While I have devoted considerable attention not only to the Four Aces System, but to other systems as well," he writes, "I can find no sound reasons to arrive at a game contract by modern bidding methods. And yet, since North and South can make four hearts against any possible defense, it seems to me there should be some way of arriving at it."

While Mr. Zimmerman it apparently perplexed at having missed this game, we hasten to offer him solace, for we doubt very much whether we would have bid it either. No two players were ever born that bid every game that fell to their lot. Furthermore, on this particular hand the odds are

definitely against game being made. In order for North and South to make four hearts, the following break was necessary: The six outstanding clubs would have to be divided exactly evenly in order for South to get rid of the losing diamond in dummy. The odds against this contingency are approximately two to one. Since game should be bid only when there is about an even chance of making it, we conclude that this one should have been passed up.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and held:

♠ Q J x
♥ A 10 8 x x
♦ A J 9
♣ A x

The bidding:
You Burnstone Maier Schenken
1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
4♣ Pass 4♥ Pass
(?)

ANSWER: Pass. You have already given one Slam Invitation which your partner has refused; hence any bid beyond game would be dangerous and futile.

Score 100% for pass, 20% for five hearts, or five diamonds, 0 for six hearts. (Note: This hand was bid and played in a rubber bridge game. The pair arrived at six hearts. Result—down two.)

QUESTION NO. 191

You hold: S-A-Q-8-x-x-x. Dummy holds: S-J-x-x-x. You have plenty of re-entries in both hands. What is your play to capture all the remaining spades? (Answer to-morrow). (Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

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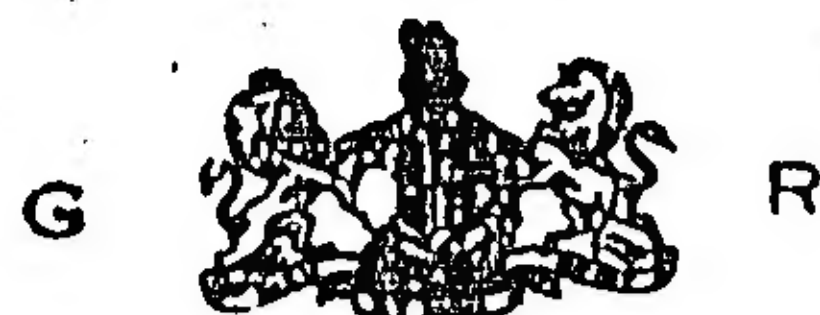
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A. B. PURVES,
Water Authority.

Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 26th August, 1939.

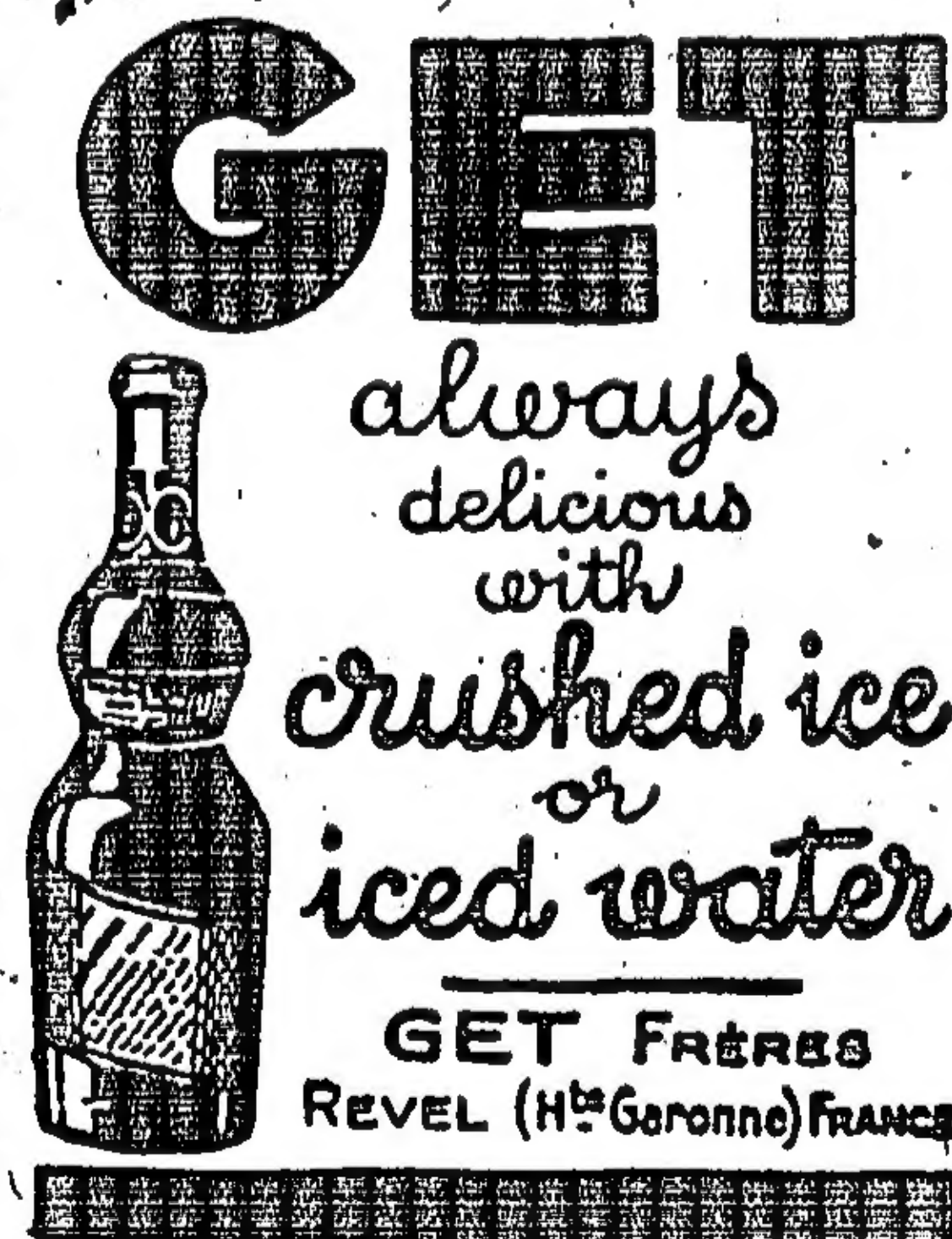
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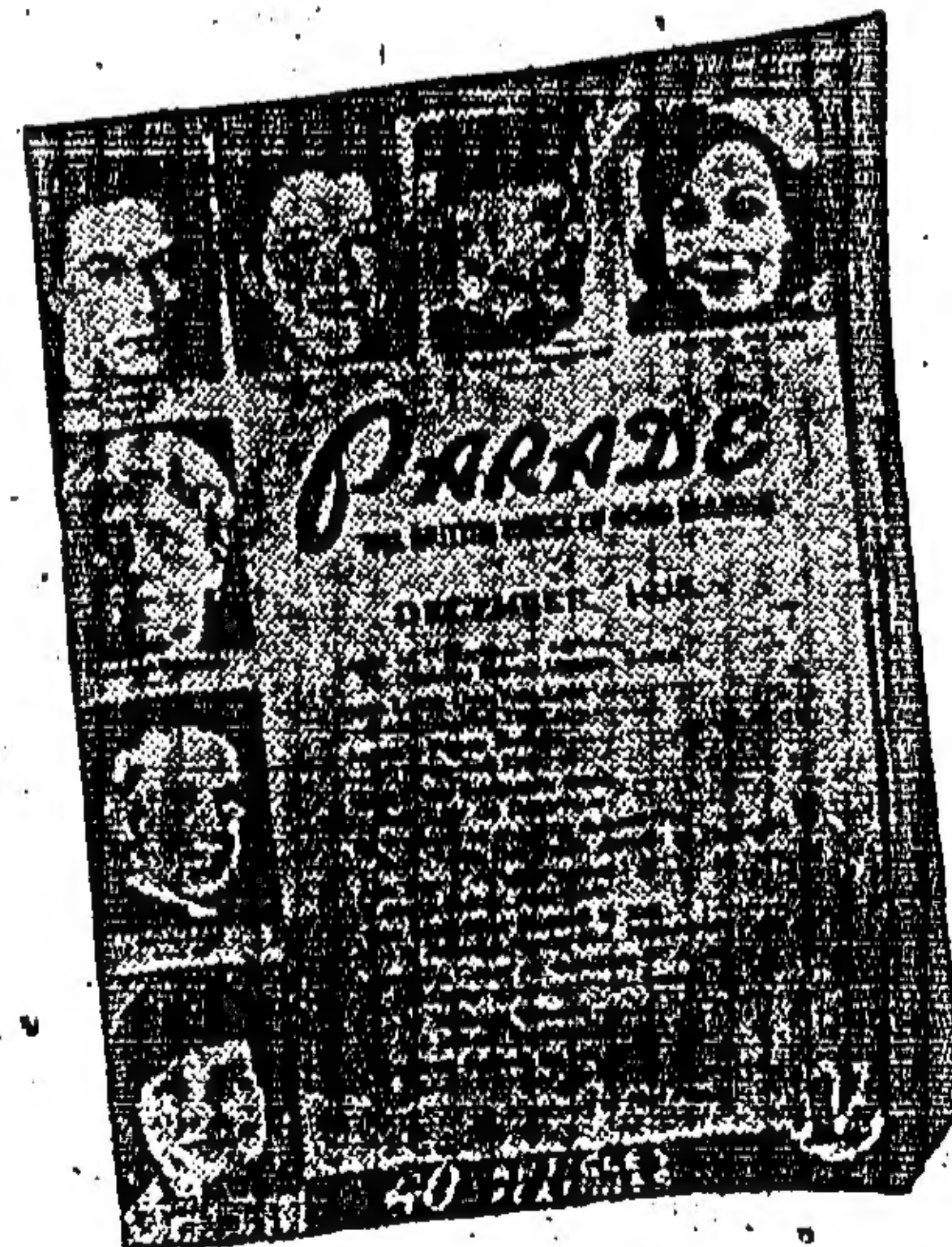
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BELGIAN DECREES FOR SECURITY OF STATE

Brussels, To-day.

DECREES FOR SECURING the safety of the nation and defending its neutrality were passed by the Belgian Cabinet yesterday, including measures for bringing in the harvest.

Steps have been taken for transferring art treasures in the museums

to places of safety and a stricter control of foreigners has been instituted.

Following the Cabinet meeting, the Premier, M. Pierlot, received the British and French Ambassadors to emphasise once again Belgian neutrality.

Mobilization in Belgium has now reached the second stage and press control has been instituted, although for the time being this will be secretly exercised.

The King has received additional powers which, however, will become effective only after conflict actually starts.

It is rumoured that in the event of the outbreak of hostilities, the Belgian Cabinet will be changed into a Cabinet of National Union. At the present time, the Government is composed only of Catholics and Liberals, but in an emergency, this would be extended to a Three Party Cabinet in which the Socialists would receive four seats.—Trans-Ocean.

PROHIBITED EXPORTS

The export of a number of articles is prohibited under an order issued, including cereals, cocoa beans, cocoa butter, jute thread, jute textiles, spare parts of motor-cars, motor-cycles, bicycles, electrical accumulators and spare parts, pneumatic tyres, leather goods, raw rubber, copper filings and copper sulphate.—Reuter.

ASSURANCES GIVEN

Britain and France have informed King Leopold of Belgium, through Ambassadors that, in event of war, they will respect Belgian neutrality, provided that Belgium herself does everything in her power to maintain it.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH DEFENCE DECREES

London, To-day.

The British Government published a White Book containing a number of measures for ensuring the safety of the State, shipping, air traffic and food supplies.

Under the new regulations, British subjects are forbidden to associate with persons who could reasonably be suspected of aiding the enemy.

Access to certain districts can be prohibited.

Special measures can be taken to prevent disturbance of radio, telephones and telegraphs as well as disclosure of information likely to be useful to the enemy.

Cypher messages may henceforth only be sent by special authorisation.

Special rights are conferred on the Government with regard to the cutting off of supplies of electricity, gas and water.

Travellers from abroad may be searched on their arrival in Britain.

No British subject may, in event of outbreak of war, enter enemy territory or travel on enemy ships or in enemy airplanes.—Trans-Ocean.

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As from to-morrow, the Vaccination Centre at the Harbour Office will remain open for anti-cholera inoculations and for issue of anti-cholera inoculation certificates, only from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily (except Saturday and Sunday afternoons).

BRITISH OFFER TO JAPAN: JUST PEACE WITH CHINA, RESPECT FOR RIGHTS

(Continued from Page 1)

try wishes to enjoy the same good relations with Japan that she enjoys with other countries in the Pacific, including China.

She would gladly see peace restored in China, but it must be a just peace.

She demands, and is prepared to secure respect for her own interests in China.

Any improvement in Anglo-Japanese relations is a contribution to the cause of peace, and there is nothing in our Far Eastern policy, provided its simple but firm principles are studied by the Japanese, to prevent such improvement taking place.—Reuter.

CHINESE COMMENT

Commenting on the Japanese Cabinet change, the "Ta Kung Pao" expresses the belief that the new Cabinet will not seek rapprochement with Britain, because the conflict of interests is too acute to be speedily adjusted. China is master of her own destinies and Japan and Britain cannot compromise with each other at her expense.

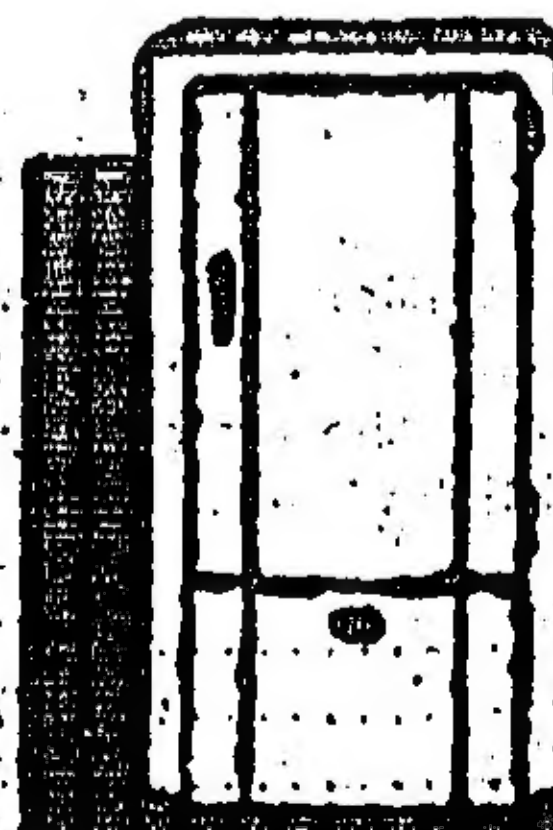
The "Sing Tao Jih Pao" says that the choice of General Abe as premier indicates that the new Japanese Cabinet is merely transitional in nature, and that its main purpose is to test the possibility of cooperation with Britain. The new Cabinet, however, will not succeed in settling the war in China.

The "National Times" observes that the Japanese Government shuffle will deal a severe blow to Wang Ching-wei as General Itagaki, his chief supporter, is now off the stage.—Central News.

Figures issued by the Medical Department to-day showed that the number of refugees at Kam Tin, San Uk Ling and Gills Cutting had increased by 100 on Saturday as compared with the previous Saturday.

Cases reported to the local Health Department last week included: 111 tuberculosis (84 deaths); 36 cholera (18 deaths); 35 dysentery (12 deaths); 24 typhoid (16 deaths), six measles (four deaths) and four meningitis (three deaths). Cases notified yesterday included 24 tuberculosis, five dysentery, four typhoid and three cholera (one imported).

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